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SUBJECT: DOCKET NUMBER 98P-0151/CP

To Whom It May Concern:

- This letter is to urge that *Farm Sanctuary's petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals be granted!!*
- *Downed animals – animals too sick even to stand- are commonly left to suffer for hours or days without receiving food, water, or veterinary care, and in many instances, they die of neglect!*
- *They are dragged to slaughter with chains or pushed with tractors and forklifts – inhumane methods that cause injuries ranging from bruises and abrasions to broken bones and torn ligaments.*
- *Downed animals who survive handling and transportation are typically slaughtered for human food.*
- *In addition to causing intolerable animal suffering, the slaughter and marketing of downed animals poses a risk to human health.*

Please acknowledge this petition and put a stop this senseless cruelty.

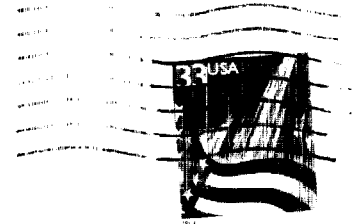
Sincerely,

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