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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to urge the USDA to retain the prohibition on downer cows and to expand this ban to other species. Such a policy is dictated not only by concerns for human health but also by considerations of humane treatment for the animals involved.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Ungar