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To FSIS Docket Clerk:

Mad Cow disease in the United States. It was something that everyone hoped would not come to pass. Unfortunately, our careless (and callous) handling of animals has come back to haunt us.

I was thrilled to hear of the emergency ban to prevent downed animals from entering the food supply. Now we need to make that ban permanent. And to minimize the animals' suffering, we need to include a provision requiring downed animals be immediately and humanely euthanized.

I urge you to do what you can to ensure the safety of the US food supply and the humane treatment of all farm animals, not just cattle. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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