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General Comment: While I respect that everyone at the agencies did the best job they could with the information that THEY had, I believe that in the future, the agencies should share with the public the names of the companies and products that are tainted with any contaminant.

The person that makes the decision about what my family eats is me -- I should have the information about what companies had fed melamine-laced scraps to their livestock. If I decide that I agree with the federal agencies and it's not a risk, then I can buy the products. However, if I want to avoid those products, it should be my right to do so -- and the federal agencies should be charged with giving me that information so that I can make my own decision about whether or not to purchase those products. If I want to avoid melamine (which everyone admits is NOT a food substance), I should be given the information so that I can do so.

To do otherwise, as was done in this instance, was disrespectful to the public and should not be done again in the future.