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Re: Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1

Dear Food and Drug Administrators:

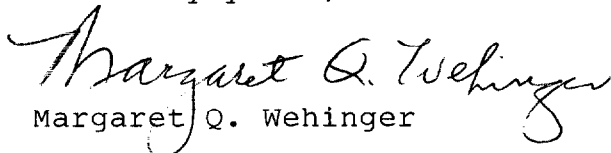
The marketing and slaughter of the cattle known as "downers" should be stopped.

Ever since the USDA stopped buying meat from non-ambulatory cattle for the National School Lunch Program, I have wondered why such meat should enter the food chain for anyone, even my pets.

How can we consumers be sure that none of these animals is not afflicted with "Mad Cow Disease"? Just yesterday I read of the quarantining of a herd in Texas which had been fed the suspect feed.


I urge you to grant this petition.

Sincerely yours,


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