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Dear Sirs:

I hope you will grant petition
98P-0151/cpi to prohibit the
slaughter of downed animals.

It is probable that 90% of downed
animals can be prevented with better care
and handling. If you remove the market
for downed animals the industry will be
more likely to try to prevent downed
animals in the first place.

Downed animals are a very small percentage
of animals that are slaughtered so you will
cause no real economic trouble for
the industry.

If animals ~~are~~ are too sick or injured
even to stand up they might pass on
diseases to people if they are in the food
chain that reaches people. Some downed
animals might even be sick with Mad
cow Disease which could be passed on in the
form of Creutzfeldt-Jacob Disease.

For the animals sake it should be
noted that downed animals can not be
moved humanely. They are often
dragged or pushed with tractors which
often results in broken bones bruises
and torn ligaments.

So please grant Petition 98P-0151/cpi.

Sincerely,

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