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Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing to urge the FDA to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

Animals who are too sick even to stand pose a health threat and should not be allowed to enter the human food chain.

It is impossible to move downed animals humanely, and they are typically pushed with trailers or dragged with chains - in humane processes which cause injuries ranging from bruises and abrasions, to broken bones and torn ligaments.

Downed animals comprise a very small percentage of animals slaughtered, and prohibiting their marketing will cause no undue economic hardship.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,
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