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RE: Docket # 98P-0151/CP1

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in support of Docket # 98P-0151/CP1, which will stop the slaughter of "downed animals". These cattle, pigs, and sheep are too injured or ill to stand or walk, and must be pulled to slaughter with chains or pushed with heavy equipment.

Stopping the slaughter of these gravely ill and seriously injured animals is important for several reasons. First, the introduction of diseased animals into the human food supply increases the risk of transmitting illness to human beings, including bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or "mad cow disease". Second, removing the market value of these animals will encourage their prompt euthanasia rather than prolonging and actually increasing their suffering while getting them to slaughter. Finally, handlers will be motivated to decrease injury to the animals during transport whenever possible, resulting in more humane and careful treatment of living creatures.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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