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Jane Henney, M.D., Commissioner FDA

I wish to express my concern about the use of antibiotics (that have a role in human medicine) as growth promoters in animals. I believe the risks of the development resistant infections greatly outweighs the benefits, not only on a dollar cost basis but also on a human cost basis. The fact that a disease may still be treatable but the patient has extended suffering is not reflected in a purely \$ based cost analysis. Nor are such causes evenly distributed across society – I may be able to afford the best health care but everyone is not so lucky. Please follow the European Union's lead in banning all growth –promoting uses of such antibiotics.

Sincerely,



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