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I implore you to grant petition 98P-0151/CP/ & prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

Using downed animals for food is a practice which brings agony to animals and provokes disease to humans. Bacterial contamination is always a danger and there is evidence which suggests strongly that some downed animals may be afflicted with "Mad Cow Disease" which appears as CJD in humans.

Because downed animals represent only a very small percent of slaughtered animals,

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human economic loss will be minimal, while the agony these animals experience as they are dragged to their death is excruciating. Removing the market for downed animals will be an incentive to industry to prevent this unnecessary misery in the first place.

Your agency can stop the suffering. Please act to do so now.

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