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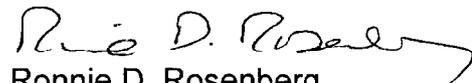
RE: Docket No. 98P-0151/CP1

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to ask you to grant Petition Number 98P-0151/CP1 to prevent non-ambulatory cattle (hereinafter downers) from being marketed for human food. Animals who cannot stand comprise a very small percentage of the livestock that are brought to market. These animals have suffered enough and there is no humane way of moving downers in a livestock market. They are much more prone to be ill, and to pass bacterial contamination on to people and pets who eat them. I am very concerned for the fate of these animals and feel that by removing the market for downers, all cattle will be handled better in the first instance.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this petition.

Sincerely,


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