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Re: petition, Docket # 98P-0151/CP1

To Whom It Concerns:

I am writing to express my concerns as a taxpayer and professional business woman. I strongly urge you to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 and prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

As well as moral & humane reasons (which should be sufficient), sick animals pose a possible health threat for human consumption that I don't care to chance.

If one has to cite economic reasons because we care only about "prosperity" – don't downed animals comprise a small percentage of the slaughter? Therefore prohibiting their marketing will not cause great economic loss, and allows us all to regain some degree of lost humanity.

Thank you,

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