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To whom it may concern:

I am writing today to express my support of a petition (docket number 98P-0151/CP1) filed by Farm Sanctuary that would prohibit the slaughter of downed animals. Downed animals suffer immensely during inhumane handling. These helpless animals suffer greatly all in the name of money. Please consider the passing of this petition in a step in the right direction in supporting animal rights. The USDA is in a position to make a difference in the lives of millions of suffering animals. Please take this important step and show that this cruel and obscene practice will not be tolerated. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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