Dear Sirs;

I am writing about downed animals.

The U.S.DA announced that it would stop buying meat from downed cows, and the marketing and slaughter of downed animals is unacceptable.

These animals should not be allowed to enter the human food chain.

Downed animals are typically pushed with tractors or dragged with chains - inhumane processes.

Industry experts estimate that 90% of downed animals can be prevented with better care and handling.

Removing the market for downed animals will provide incentive to industry to prevent downed animals in the first place.

Please grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

Sincerely,

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