Dear Sir -

In regards T8048 '01 JAN 14 8:26 98P-0151/CP1

I urge the FDA to grant above petition to prohibit slaughter of downed animals. These sick and injured animals should not enter the human food chain. In addition to posing an increased risk for bacterial contamination, evidence supports these animals may also harbor BSE linked to fatal human illness (CJD)

Downed animals comprise a very small percentage of slaughtered animals. 90% of downed animals can be prevented with better care & handling. Removing the market will be an incentive to industry to prevent downed animals in the first place. Its a win-win situation - Please grant petition 98P-0151/CP1

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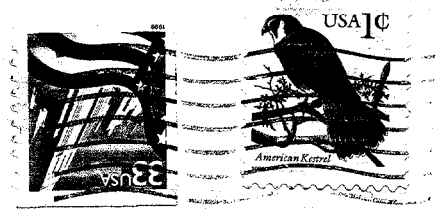

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