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To the Food & Drug Adm,

I am urging you to grant Farm Sanctuary's petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals - docket # 98P-0151/CP1. They are often left in stockyards to suffer for hours or days, receiving no food or water & many die of neglect. They are dragged to slaughter with chains or pushed with tractors & forklifts, inhumane methods that cause injuries ranging from cuts & bruises to broken bones & torn ligaments. The animals who survive transportation & handling are often/typically used for human food, even

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though many or most are down because of illness.

In addition to causing intolerable suffering, this practice poses a risk to human health. If we are to end violence in our world we must show compassion for all living creatures & not allow cruelty to any.

Thank you,

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