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U.S. Food and Drug Administration:

I refer to DOCKET NUMBER-98P-0151/CP1. I urge the Food and Drug Administration to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

In addition to posing an increasing risk for bacterial contamination, there is evidence that some downed animals may be associated with the "Mad Cow Disease", which has been linked to a fatal human illness (Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease).

It is impossible to move downed animals humanely, and they are typically pushed with tractors or dragged with chains which cause injuries from broken bones to torn ligaments. I find this unconscionable.

Sincerely,
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