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President Clinton,

This letter concerns Mad Cow Disease. This disease emerged as an epidemic in Great Britain in 1986 because cattle were being fed meat and bone meal made from infected cows. There is a U.S. ban on feeding cows meat and bone meal made from other mammals. The ban was enacted by the Food and Drug Adm. (FDA) June 5, 1998 and went into effect July 25, 1998.

However, two problems remain: enforcement of the ban and risks

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to human health. Legislation and regulation on farming practice are often ignored by agricultural producers whether they relate to food safety, the environment or employee safety.

So, the FDA is going to have to step up its enforcement efforts.

When (factory) farm animals are abused, which is constantly, meat, milk and eggs become hazardous to consumers.

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