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This letter is to ask you to ban the forced molting of laying hens.

Forced molting of hens involves the withholding of food for several days, to force the hens to produce more eggs.

This is inhumane!

Also the above practice increases the occurrence of the Salmonella enteritidis, a food-borne pathogen causing widespread human illness.

As a consumer, the above is very frightening.

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