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FDA Commissioner Jane Henney
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Dear Ms. Henney,

I am writing to ask you to act on the Humane Farming Association's petition to end the practice of feeding dead pigs, horses and other animals to farm animals. (Docket 99P-0033/CP1) Cows are NOT meat eaters by nature and they shouldn't be forced to eat dead animals.

Bovine materials must not be used in animal feed because US pigs are known to show symptoms of central nervous system disease suspected as being Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) and have proven susceptible to TSE in laboratory tests. TSE-positive material must NOT be fed to any animals or used in cosmetics, fertilizer or any other products.

TSE diseases are fatal. CJD is apparently caused by the same agent that causes BSE or mad cow disease. It is unconscionable that our government is still allowing the feeding of blood and other animal by-products to farm animals.

Sincerely,
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