Dear Sirs; I am writing this letter concerning Banning Molting of Hens (Docket numbers - 98N-1230 96P-0418 97P-0197

F.D.A. must do more than put Bacteria Warning ~~labels~~ on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperatures.

F.D.A. should prohibit the practice of forced molting because forced molting has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens immune systems

F.D.A. has jurisdiction to ban farm practices such as forced molting the injure human health

F.D.A. must Ban the forced molting of Laying hens because forced molting is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens eggs and consumers of eggs The Cruelty & Contamination Are Linked

F.D.A. was petitioned in April 1998 to ban forced molting. This petition should be granted without further delay.

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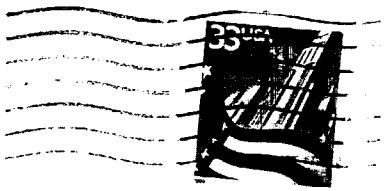

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