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Dear FDA,

I'm writing you because I would like to be able to eat my eggs soft boiled without worrying that I'm going to get Salmonella.

You must do more than just put bacteria warning labels on egg cartons + regulating egg refrigeration temperatures. You should prohibit the practice of forced molting since it has been scientifically proven to promote disease by destroying the hens immune systems through starvation. It is also the main cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs + consumers. And that doesn't mean just increasing the amount of antibiotics they are given. That is another problem.

The FDA was petitioned in April 1998 to ban the practice of forced molting. I would like you to grant that petition without further delay.

Sincerely,

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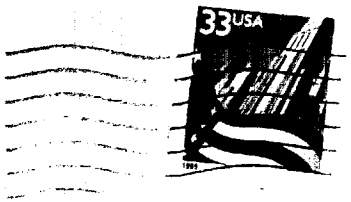

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