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My Comments regarding: reducing egg borne diseases because of the many illnesses and deaths caused by contaminated eggs brought on by forced molting of millions of hens.

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Bacteria warning labels on egg cartons and regulations on egg refrigeration temperatures just does not do the trick - the source of the bacteria must be stopped.

The FDA should prohibit the practice of forced molting because forced molting has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens ~~immune~~ immune systems

The FDA has the jurisdiction to ban

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farm practices, such as forced molting, that injure human health and cause untold cruelty to other sentient beings.

The FDA must ban the forced molting of laying hens because forced molting is a primary cause of infectious diseases in hens eggs & consumers of eggs. The Cruelty & Contamination are linked.

The FDA was petitioned in April 1998 to ban forced molting. This petition should be granted without further delay. How many more people & chickens must die before it is stopped.

Thank you for hearing my comments

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