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Gentlemen:

I am responding to docket numbers 98N-1230, 96P-0418 and 97P-0197.

Your proposed rule for the labeling and refrigeration of eggs in an attempt to reduce salmonella transmission to humans does not adequately address the problem.

Forced molting must be halted! It is an extremely cruel practice. Furthermore, USDA research shows that forced molting makes hens far more susceptible to salmonella.

It makes good sense to stop a practice which exacerbates a

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problem. Stop the forced molting, and the Salmonella problem will be immeasurably reduced.

You failed last year to properly address this problem. Please don't repeat this mistake.

Yours truly,
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