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RE: 98N-1230, 96P-0418, 97P-0197

The FDA has got to stop the spread of bacteria in eggs. More must be done than put warnings on egg cartons and regulate egg refrigeration temperature.

The practice of forced molting of hens by starving them for 14 days should be prohibited because not only is it cruel, it promotes disease in hens and eggs by destroying the hen's immune systems.

The FDA has the jurisdiction to ban these farm practices because they are injurious to human health.

The FDA was petitioned in 1998 to ban forced molting - why have you not acted on this?!

Please grant the petition without

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further delay!

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