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Re: Downed Animal Trade
and
Farm Sanctuary petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals - DOCKET # 98P- 0151/CP1

The treatment of sick or injured animals in transit to slaughterhouses or at the slaughterhouse is scandalous and inhumane. The cruelty does not end: in the vans they fall down and are stepped upon, breaking more bones and being suffocated and mangled. Unloaded, they can be pushed by tractors, dragged with chains or prodded with electric rods.

There are threats for humans as well because of the increased risk of bacterial contamination - or even the possibility that the downed animals may be afflicted with BSE.

Action Requested: Grant the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dorothea A. Goetz

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