Sat. Oct 14, 2000

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are [illegible] urge that you grant Farm Sanctuarys petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals — "Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1." Animals which are to sick to stand should not be allowed to enter the food chain. There is evidence that some downed animals may be afflicted with Mad cow disease. It is impossible to move downed animals humanely. They should be euthanized on the spot. 90% of downed animals could be prevented with better care and handling. ~~This would~~ Removing the market for downed animals would provide an incentive for the industry to prevent downed animals in the first place. Please grant their petition.

Sincerely
The Boyd Family
73 Summer St
Foxboro, MA
02035

98P-0151

C2437

D. Boyd
73 Summer St.
Foxboro, MA 02035

USFDA
Dockets Management Branch
5600 Fishers Lane
Rm 1061
Rockville, MD
20785

20800/9999