

Press Release

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Humane Society Silicon Valley Statement on Beef Recall

SANTA CLARA, Calif., – February 19, 2008 – The recent staggering recall of 143 million pounds of beef – the largest in U.S. history – has sent a strong message that abusing sick and crippled animals can have significant consequences not only for these animals but also for the consumer and for business. The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) recently uncovered that sick animals, which were mistreated and abused during the slaughtering process, were put into the food chain and shipped out to schools across the country as part of the National School Lunch program. This unacceptable cruelty potentially puts our food supply at risk.

The HSUS has called on the USDA to change its policy and prohibit the slaughter of all – not just some – sick/downed cows. This case shows the real need for Congress to enact pending farm animal welfare legislation.

Humane Society Silicon Valley encourages outraged citizens to write letters to the USDA in support of these policy changes. For more information, click [here](#).

https://community.hsus.org/campaign/CA_2008_investigation?qp_source=gaba89

About Humane Society Silicon Valley

Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) is an independent, non-profit agency offering quality adoptions, medical care and education programs to enhance the human-animal bond. Established in 1929, HSSV has served Silicon Valley for 78 years adopted more than 500,000 animals into permanent, loving homes. HSSV is an "open door" shelter and accepts animals 24-hours a day, seven days a week, regardless of any temperament or health related problems. HSSV's medical center offers affordable spaying/neutering, vaccinations and microchips to the public. More information about HSSV can be found at our website at www.hssv.org.

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