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General Comment: UNITED STATES Department of Agriculture:

I am appalled that the Department of Agriculture, an arm and instrument of the United States government, is considering circumventing a law implemented by our government to eliminate horse slaughter. I cannot believe the attitude taken by the USDA that would spit in the eye of what THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES have demonstrated as their preference and wish, by independently side-stepping the new directive given by the congress, overwhelmingly, I might add, to eliminate horse slaughter.

Is the monetary gain, and I'm assuming that's what's driving this behavior, more important than the will of the people of this nation?

I urge you, as a horse lover, but more importantly, as an AMERICAN CITIZEN to cease the plan to hire independent pre-slaughter inspectors for the horse slaughter plants.

You as an organizational arm of the US government, are subject to the wishes of the people of this nation, as we are a democracy, meaning that we are a nation run BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE. The people have spoken! The people do NOT want our horses slaughtered and sent overseas for human consumption!

I urge you to reconsider this plan. I expect that the Congress will not be happy with this decision and will step in to thwart this practice if it becomes necessary. I applaud the Congress in this and for initially addressing this in passing this legislation. Please, give up your greed and eliminate plans to circumvent this wish of the people of our nation.

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