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**From:** Jane Brewer [jbrewer@texas.net]  
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**To:** IRRC  
**Subject:** vote to DISAPPROVE proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160

I am a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and am also a raw milk advocate. Virginia makes it difficult to obtain raw milk, and I have long admired Pennsylvania's regulations in allowing licensed dairies the freedom to sell raw milk.

I was very dismayed when I saw the increased burden the proposed regulation will put on the small farmer.

I ONLY purchase from small farmers and fear that regulations such as this will make it cost prohibitive for these small dairies to continue in business. The small farmer is the backbone of this country, and the more burden that is placed on them – whether smaller dairies or organic farmers – the more I boycott the legislators and large agribusinesses that lobby to put them out of business.

For that is what this will do – destroy the small farmer.

I am not against all regulations – in fact, I would support regulations targeted to the large commercial dairies who confine their animals 24/7 and inject them with antibiotics and growth hormones.

Therefore, I ask that you reject proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160: Milk Sanitation.

Thank you for your consideration,

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