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Independent Regulatory Review Commission

A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: Linda

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Subject: Natural milk

Message:

My name is linda Noll, and I am too sick to work. My doctors say that my body is failing to gain nourishment from food and that I have to eat foods that are very nutrient dense. Homogenized milk is not nutrient dense but raw dairy is. A few years ago my body started reacting badly to all grains and pasturized dairy. It would take weeks to recover from consuming it and they said I had developed an allergy to it. I turned to raw milk and found that I could drink it without reaction. This is how I came to accept raw dairy into my diet. I have been forced to accept more natural foods in order to survive. What if this happened to you, but there were no small farmers to provide you with natural food alternative. Imagine not being able to eat anything made from grain or dairy. Try it for just one day. Below is a letter asking you not to add regulations to the farmer's that are keeping me alive. For thousands of years people ate raw dairy. If it is such a threat why did they continue to drink it and survive. Pasteur was wrong. Boiling kills a lot of the nutrients and enzymes not just germs. There are other ways to keep milk clean and safe. All this modified food is weakening America. Illnesses that were once rare are now common. Please don't distrust what is natural. Over regulation kills more than underregulation. I am a raw milk consumer and I respectfully request that you reject proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160: Milk Sanitation. I am an intelligent, discriminating consumer and do not need protection from my farmer-neighbor or local market or store. If they provide an unsatisfactory product or fail to appropriately correct a problem they will be out of business quickly. At that level, State regulation does not and cannot provide a higher level of policing; every consumer polices that supplier with every transaction and has direct enforcement options. Where we need government involvement is where the suppliers or markets are no longer our neighbors

but rather corporations created by the State. Food safety is not size neutral. Larger operations are more complex, problems have much more far-reaching impacts and we have no direct meaningful recourse if there is a problem. The regulation needs to focus on those operations. Although some regulations on this latter group are necessary, the regulation could be much simpler if they were performance standards, requiring that the end product achieves a desired result. How that result is achieved is the producers' responsibility, not the State's. That would result in the State's role being to test for compliance, a function that could easily be contracted out, rather than inserting itself in micromanaging the operation. Again, I view the proposed regulation as excessive, and in some cases onerous and unnecessary. These flaws warrant that the proposed regulation be rejected. Sincerely, a woman dying and trying to survive, Linda Noll