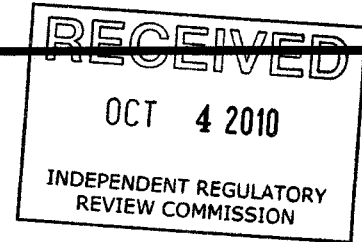


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From: Miller, Sarah E.
Sent: Monday, October 04, 2010 11:51 AM
To: IRRC
Subject: FW: IRRC Website - New Message



From: Independent Regulatory Review Commission [mailto:No-Reply@irrc.state.pa.us]
Sent: Monday, October 04, 2010 11:48 AM
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A new message has arrived from the IRRC Website

First Name: scott

Last Name: burch

Company:

Email: sburch2@mac.com

Subject: Raw Milk

Message:

My name is Scott Burch, 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 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. To Whom It May Concern: This letter is to inform you on why I am fighting to legalize raw milk. There are a couple of reasons I would like to express. The health benefits (nutritional value/antibodies/healthful enzymes) of raw milk far out weigh the pasteurized milk our government allows us to drink. Just because they think the shelf life is important doesn't mean that we all should suffer, I

will sacrifice quantity for quality anytime. I do believe that Americans are changing their views on this type of indiscriminate government control. Instead of letting big business or government agencies make these decisions please let the American people decide. Allergies are another reason; my son has allergies linked to pasteurized milk. The only way he could drink milk is when it is raw. I also have problems digesting pasteurized milk, so I choose not to drink it, only raw milk can digest in my body without any problems. Here is a list of what is caused by pasteurized milk: Diarrhea / cramps / bloating / gas / gastrointestinal bleeding / iron deficiency anemia / skin rashes / colic in infants / osteoporosis / increased tooth decay / arthritis ETC. Stop us from felling like criminals. We purchase raw milk from under ground markets and other creative setups. Why do we need to do this? It just tastes better. In the past I have driven to PA. to pick up the milk, it is over a 2 hour drive. Thank You For Listening, Scott Burch 20 Oak Lane Green Pond NJ 07435