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Dear IRRC,

I am a consumer of raw milk in central Pennsylvania. I want to applaud your organization for focusing on food safety and for making raw milk available to consumers. However, I have some concerns about the proposed final Milk Sanitation regulations. My concerns are twofold:

- 1. I fear that proposed requirements for testing, packaging, additional rooms, and additional mechanization equipment would make the purchase of raw milk cost-prohibitive for consumers while placing a tremendous financial burden on our dairy farmers.
- 2. I worry that the proposed regulations were drafted without the input—and possibly without the knowledge--of a significant number of farmers.

I urge the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to withdraw the latest draft from consideration. Alternatively, I urge the Independent Regulatory Review Commission to reject the proposed final draft.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Feldman