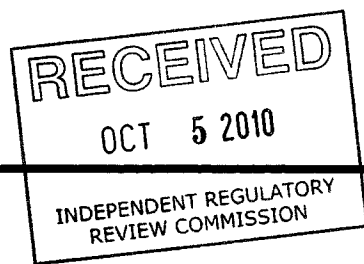


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From: Isabel Calingaert [isabelcal@bellsouth.net]
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Subject: proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160: Milk Sanitation

Please reject the proposed regulation #277 on milk sanitation. I have been a raw milk consumer for years and have never had any health or safety problems with raw milk products. I believe that the suggested requirements such as mechanical capping and separate rooms are irrelevant to the safety of the products. Such unnecessary requirements cause undue hardships to raw dairy farmers when we should instead be promoting their enterprises. I, and other raw milk consumers like me, have not had any health problems with raw products, because the farmers are directly responsible to us. We do not need the state to intervene.

Very large milk producing operations are much more complicated and not directly answerable to the consumers. Those operations are the ones that may need regulation, but imposing blanket regulations on all types of dairy operations is harmful to a very important food source. Please reject the proposed regulation 2777.

Isabel Calingaert