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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to urge the IRRC to reject the current proposed milk sanitation regulations until a more thorough process has been completed including hearings with PDA, farmers and consumers around the state.

As a farmer, farm market manager and raw milk consumer, I am not against regulations that insure the safety of raw milk and raw milk products. I do however, feel that the current proposed regulations need to have more input from those actually producing, selling and consuming raw milk in Pennsylvania. I fear that the current regulations could place a heavy financial burden on the dairy farmers and in the long run, restrict the availability of fresh raw milk in the market place.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into the process.

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