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Subject: Regulation# 2777, Dept. of Ag 2-160

My name is Mrs. Rosalyn Price English - I am a raw milk consumer and I respectfully request that you reject proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160: Milk Sanitation. Where we need government involvement is where the suppliers or markets are no longer our neighbors but rather corporations with whom I have no direct contact. 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.

I am an intelligent, university-educated, discriminating, responsible consumer and I do not need protection from my farmer-neighbor or local market or store.

If the dairies I frequent provide me with an unsatisfactory product or fail to appropriately correct a problem they will lose my business. At the producer-to-consumer-direct level, State regulation does not and cannot provide a higher level policing; I and every consumer polices our suppliers with every transaction and has direct enforcement options.

Although some regulations on this latter group are necessary, the regulation could be much simpler if the State's role focused on testing 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.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Rosalyn Price English

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