

Open Letter to Michael McCain and Maple Leaf Foods

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Mr. Michael McCain

"I just heard your One-n-One interview with Peter Mansbridge, and you are impressive. For **R G-2 Regulatory Guidance: Feeding of Poultry Manure to Cattle Prohibited (Used to be called a Policy Doc. until after your food problems)**

"What are the safety concerns associated with using poultry manure and litter as a feed ingredient?"

Concerns are of a dual nature. That is to say, there is concern for both the health of the animal ingesting the feed and for food safety as humans eating the edible end products of these animals may be exposed to contaminants. Safety concerns are varied depending on the source of poultry litter and manure. There is also potential for pathogenic microbial contamination, i.e., bacteria such as Salmonella, E. coli and Clostridium botulinum. The transfer of residues of drugs approved for use in poultry may result in residues in manure and litter. Other concerns include chemical contaminants such as heavy metals and pesticides which may accumulate in poultry waste products."

If true, would you be so kind as to explain to me and to your customers how it is that even after your "near death experience" you continue to ignore the health of your customers by continuing to process US feces fed beef into what you call "safe food"?

I am asking that you immediately stop using US feces fed beef to manufacture the products that you are selling to unsuspecting Canadian consumers! I know that you are not afraid of accountability or open dialogue (at least that was my impression from your Mansbridge interview), I hope that I am not mistaken.

Maybe you would also be so kind as to sign (and pass on) my petition at Care2 to Ban the practise of feeding poultry feces to livestock. <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/14/tell-congress-stop-practise-of-feeding-poultry-feces-to-food-producing-animals>

Thanx