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Dear Ms. Rick:

We are writing to oppose the National Dairy Promotion and Research Program.

We are family dairy farmers who have always believed that it should be a voluntary payment, and we should not be forced to pay for many parts of the program that we disagree with, but we have little or no input to change.

We believe all dairy farmers should have an individual vote, not block voted by others.

Funds should not be used in any way to further the use of MPC, milk protein concentrate, an illegal dairy ingredient that has no GRAS status, has never been tested for safety or nutrition, and, yet, is used by many

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who the program is partnering with, such as Kraft and Pizza Hut.

MPC imports create a dairy surplus and its use is economically hurting us far more than the advertising program is helping us!

When consumers are made aware how much MPC is polluting their food, all the advertising money spent on "Milk Is a Natural" will be for naught as milk's image will be tarnished beyond repair.

Further, we object to funds being used for air pollution and environmental research that benefits mainly large dairies.

Since inception, dairy promotion should have stressed fluid milk consumption and real butter, etc. Maybe then we would have had a nation of healthy individuals, not obese, diabetic unhealthy young people suffering from trans fat and soft drink consumption.

We believe we have No Choice and No Voice!