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February 23, 2007

Senator Edward Kennedy
317 Russell Senate Building
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Kennedy:

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Thank you again for your leadership and commitment to protecting public health. We look forward to working closely with you on this important legislation and related opportunities to reduce the overuse of antibiotics in animal agriculture.

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Senator Olympia Snowe
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Snowe:

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Senator Sherrod Brown
600 East Superior Avenue, Room 2450
Cleveland OH 44114

Dear Senator Brown:

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Congresswoman Louise Slaughter
2469 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Slaughter:

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728 Hart Senate Office Building
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