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To: National Organic Standards Board

I'm commenting on the Pasture proposal. I've been an organic dairy farmer for many years and just love what I'm doing for a living. I become organic because I wanted to keep drugs + other harmful products out our cattle + milk supply + harmful chemicals, fertilizers off our crops.

I have always pastured my cows and believe in the cows being out on grass eating + enjoying the outdoor air. I produce very high quality forages on my farm following all the organic standards + life feeding my cows constantly those forages.

It doesn't take just pasture to produce high quality milk. Here in Wisconsin we're lucky to get 4-5 good months of pasture weather. So that still leaves 7-8 months of feeding stored feeds.

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I'm proud to be organic and believe in the purpose. I didn't become organic to be a Rotational Grazer

I do pasture but not at the level that is being suggested + disagree with that kind of requirement. I feel as long as they have pasture access + on grass not just dirt that should be O.K.

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