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To whom it may concern:

As the owner & operator of a relatively small cattle program - Less than 100 head of breeding cows - I have been keeping individual animal records for a number of years. The COOL should require no more problems than the present requirement for producers to certify freedom of drug residues in all animals sold.

The producer who does not keep these individual animal records cannot stay in business long. A pocket notebook identifying the animal along with sire, dam & birth weight has served me well. It also shows the vaccinations etc as given through the year - The happy go lucky operator who weans calves on the way to the auction is already doomed to extinction under present rules

M H Brown