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Country of Origin Labeling Program
Agriculture Marketing Service, USDA
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Dear Sirs.

I am owner of a 200 hd Beef cow-calf ranch in northwestern Minnesota. I want Country of Origin Labeling. COOL should be keeped simple. The US consumer should be told if they are buying US. beef, foreign beef or a combination of both. I have bought Feeder cattle in Canada and sold them in the U.S. These cattle must go thru customs already so the paper work + Identification process should be done at this time following these cattle to market. Cattle Imported and placed in the breeding herd should be exsempt.

Sincerely
Al Friesen