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The egg facility depicted in the videos appears to suffer from extremely poor management and labor that has no concern for the animals. It is significantly dirtier and more poorly maintained than any egg-laying operation I have toured. The workers show total disregard for the animals and the physical facilities are deficient. There should not be holes in the flooring or cages where the birds can become trapped, yet this was clearly shown on the videos.

Most atrocious is the handling of the animals. Workers attempt to kill the animals by casually spinning them by the neck, a questionable approach to cervical dislocation. In any case, the birds are then discarded before death is confirmed. This atrocity is compounded by workers throwing live birds into barrels full of dead ones, presumably to die by suffocation. Other clips show a live birds hung on a feed trough for an indefinite time, and dead birds left in cages with live birds, though one cannot tell from the video how long before they are removed.

At a time when the general public is expressing disapproval of battery cage-based egg factories (as evidenced by the definitive passage of Proposition 2 in California, which polls indicate would pass in every state), these videos depict this sort of system at its worst.

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