

Cruelty Uncovered:

Is 'Aaron's Best' Kosher's Worst?

AgriProcessors Corporation (producer of Aaron's Best and Rubashkin's) has firmly defended mutilating conscious animals, shocking them in the face, and slaughtering them in a manner that Rabbi T.H. Weinreb, executive vice president of the Orthodox Union called "especially inhumane."

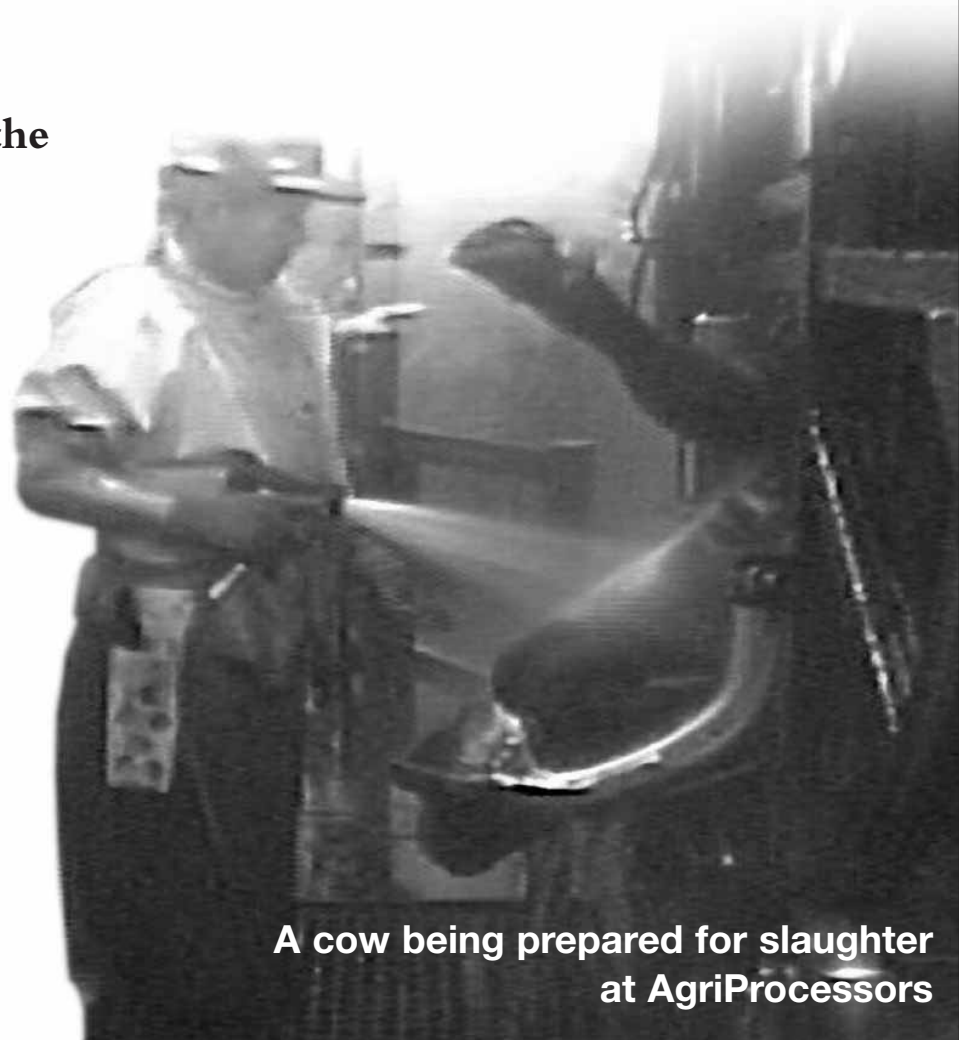
Sholom Rubashkin, president of AgriProcessors:

"What you see on the video is not out of the ordinary. ... Nothing wrong was, or is being, done. There is nothing to admit."

Rabbi Perry Raphael Rank, president of the Rabbinical Assembly of the Conservative Movement:

"[T]he scenes recorded are not what *shehitah* should be, nor does it correspond to the Jewish way of treating animals. ... When a company purporting to be kosher violates the prohibition against *tza'ar ba'alei hayyim*, causing pain to one of God's living creatures, that company must answer to the Jewish community, and ultimately, to God."

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A cow being prepared for slaughter
at AgriProcessors

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