

ITEM B.108
FOR ACTION

<i>FOR PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AGENCY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE USE ONLY</i>			
A. Finance		E. Corporate Property, Legal, Finance	J. Board Nominating & Governance Subcommittee
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D. Worshipping Communities		H. Executive Committee	

Subject: Comment on the 222nd General Assembly (2016) – Overture 077 (Business item 11-11) “On Advocacy Against Factory Farming” – From the Presbytery of Monmouth

Recommendation:

That the Presbyterian Mission Agency Board approve the following comment “Overture 077 (Business Item 11-11) “On Advocacy Against Factory Farming” – From the Presbytery of Monmouth

Comment:

The Presbyterian Mission Agency has advocated, in the context of the Farm Bill, to shift investment away from programs that subsidize factory farms and promote major commodities as the most viable options for crops for food and fuel.

The 214th General Assembly (2002) approved “We Are What We Eat: Recommendations and Report”, which included recommendations calling on the Washington Office (now the Office of Public Witness) to “alert Presbyterians about upcoming public policy related to the agricultural revolution and food production/ consumption and encourage members of the PC (USA) to contact legislators urging support of the family farmer/ranchers, farm and processing plant workers, and equitable world trade policy.” This overture would build on our existing policy.

Link to Overture - <https://www.pc-biz.org/#/search/3000004>