FAIR OAKS FARM, Ind. (WEAR) — Chicago-based Fairlife, under fire after the release of a video showing animals being mistreated at one of its supplying dairy farms, is being sued for fraud.

The company promotes the "extraordinary care and comfort" of its cows on its milk labels.

Officials say three former employees of a large northwestern Indiana dairy have been charged with animal cruelty following the release of an undercover video.
It shows the workers kicking and throwing young calves.

The misdemeanor charges for the beating of animals come amid a public backlash against the popular tourist destination Fair Oaks Farms, which is also the flagship farm for Fairlife, according to the Associated Press.

Winn-Dixie, a carrier of the Fairlife product, has released this statement:

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**Regarding the Recent News on Fair Oaks Farms:**

At Winn-Dixie, we believe all animals raised for food should be cared for and treated humanely, in order to protect their health, the health of those who raise and harvest them, and to contribute to safe food for our customers.

Like you, we were recently made aware of animal abuse at a supplier to the Fairlife brand, Fair Oaks Farms. We’re disturbed by these allegations and appalled by the cruelty shown toward the animals in the investigative report. **As such, we are removing all Fairlife products from our shelves** while we engage with our supplier partners to address these allegations, which we take very seriously. Be assured we will hold all suppliers to the Winn-Dixie standard and will pursue our investigation into this issue vigorously.

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At #WinnDixie, we believe all animals should be cared for and treated humanely, to protect their health, the health of those who raise and harvest them, and to contribute to safe food for our customers. In light of recent news regarding Fair Oaks Farms, we are pulling all Fairlife products from our shelves immediately. Please see our full statement below.