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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets.

I was exposed (literally) to Monsanto at the age of 12 when they destroyed the bay that I lived on by dumping into the river that fed the bay. It took 30 years to clean that up once they were forced to stop. I used to take my small skiff up the river and check to see if they were dumping!!

I am still under the thumb of Monsanto as I try to grow a simple organic vegetable garden in my back yard. They have overwhelming control over the seed stock. Even when we don't purchase their seeds, our plants are influenced by pollen from their plants!!

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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