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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets. My husband and I have been gardening organically for 25 years, but we can't even be sure the seeds we buy now are organic,because one company, Monsanto, controls the seed supply in the U.S. Corporations are NOT held to strict standards, and we can't even be sure what is in the food we buy.

These same corporations have become drunk with power -- threatening farmers, and limiting our ability to eat food that has not been genetically modified. Worse yet, "FOOD" (if we can still call it that) is grown using methods that themselves harm the environment.

I am very concerned and ask that you limit the control of these mega-corporations and return agriculture to real farmers.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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