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Subject: agribiz/Monsanto

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am very concerned about the corporate control of the food system. Just one company, Monsanto, controls the majority of seeds in the US, and regularly threatens farmers who don't buy its seeds. And there is good reason why corporations aren't held to strict standards. There is a "revolving door" of personnel between corporate lobbyists and government regulators. This must be regulated! Why are prices rising at the supermarket, when farmers are struggling -- and big food companies have made record profits this year.

Food is grown and raised in ways that are terrible for the environment, with methods that pollute the water, poison the soil, and threaten our long-term food security. The Department of Justice must control Monsanto before it destroys the very food we eat.

Sincerely,

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