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

As Monsanto controls the patents on the majority of seeds used by US farmers they hold sway over their existence in addition to being able to control price with little competition.

This contributes to the problem of rising food prices but farmers in financial straights.

Please look into this monopoly.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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