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

In my opinion, Monsanto is not a company, it's a mafia group. I do not want 'companies' like Monsanto controlling MY food, threatening farmers, threatening the environment with their non organic ways, treating animals the very shameful way they do, and in the end supplying Americans with something they call 'food' but really is product that will harm our bodies, our environment, our fellow animals and our integrity.

Why are Americans not told what is in OUR food? there should be better labels telling us WHERE it was grown exactly, what chemicals are on it, and if it had been genetically modified or not.

Why are prices at the supermarket rising when farmers are struggling and the Big Food companies have made record profits this year?

i do not trust the government to regulate our food and food companies properly. Unfortunately, the 'revolving door' of personnel between corporate lobbyists and government regulators has shown that corporations are not held to strict standards and, since this has been allowed to happen, that the government does not really care with what food Americans are supplied.

I do not, will not buy food that is NOT organic, locally grown or raised, and animals that have been raised/slaughtered in an human way. Many people i know do the same thing and this number is growing. The US government better get is act together with regulating and stopping these companies from their disgusting practices because your supporters are dropping like flies.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Dowling

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