Feb. 28, 2001 Docket No. 00N-1396 & Docket No. 00D-1598 FDA Commissioner, Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305) Food & Drug Admin. 5630 Fishers Lane, Room DO6101 MAR -6 401 :21 Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Commissioner,

I am writing concerning the new rules for genetically engineered (GE) foods. I am concerened that they are totally inadequate.

The first item is labeling, which should be mandatory, even if possible allergic reactions might be small. In a democracy, persons should know fully what they are consuming (in fact, all people should)

Because these foods are old-yet-new, there should be at least some premarket testing - both for comsumers of food and growers of food, so that unanticipated problems may be spotted.

Please reconsider these rules.

Sincerely yours, Marjorie Williams

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