

4/9/00 Dear OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

This is to say that we support  
legal petition Docket #00P-1211/CPI  
to take genetically engineered foods  
and crops off the market until  
they are subjected to rigorous  
safety testing.

Scientists have warned that  
for years splicing foreign proteins  
into common food products can  
set off dangerous food  
allergies. For instance, an EPA  
study has showed that BT-spliced  
crops with the Bt toxins have  
induced signs of allergenicity  
in agricultural field workers.

There is also the concern that  
there are potential hazards of the  
antibiotic resistant marker (ARM)  
genes found in GE foods that  
have the ability to transfer  
antibiotic resistance to soil bacteria,  
bees, mammals and possibly  
humans.

Please consider this.

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