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FDA Commissioner, Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)
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Dear Commissioner:

I am a certified organic farmer and am very concerned about the recent FDA ruling concerning genetically engineered Food. I believe it's vitally important that the FDA require testing and labeling of genetically engineered food and that a pre-market environment review should be required. It is important to me that I know whether a product has proven to be safe, so I need to have pre-market safety testing required. GE foods have not been around long enough for us to know whether they may have harmful effects. Please heed the warning that more research needs to be done before allowing GE products to be this easily available to the public. It should be my decision whether I want to buy GE foods or not. Without mandatory labeling of GE foods I lose that ability. That is not right! The American people count on the FDA to be fair. Please do not disappoint us. We have the right to know about our food's origin. I also believe that we need protect our environment and so I ask that you require a pre-market environmental review. GE crops cannot be contained well and can easily effect my land, crops, and the habitat around them. I am a small farmer, but need your help as much as the large food companies. Successful farming that provides quality food for America's citizens, protects the environment and builds the soil needs to be supported.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

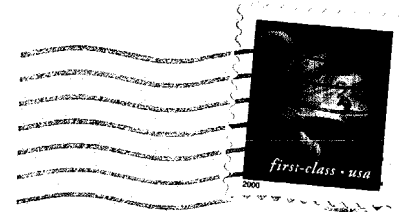


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