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Dear Jane E. Henney
Commissioner of Food & Drug:

This letter is in hope of getting your attention against the use of BGH hormones without appropriate labeling to inform consumer. I disapprove with the use of BGH hormones in dairy products that are currently sold on the market. I believe that BGH is a step in the wrong direction toward synthetic, chemically intensive, factory-produced food supply.

Throughout the past year studies have been made on the affects that BGH has on cows. BGH is generally unhealthy for cows. Some studies report uterine disorders, digestive disorder and lacerations, enlargements and calluses of knees of cows. BGH also affects the nutritional value of milk. Studies have shown that the use of BGH increases the time during which cows give lower quality milk with decreased protein. BGH also causes cows milk to go sour sooner than it normally would without BGH.

BGH just isn't necessary U.S dairy farmers already produce more than enough milk. More milk is actually produced than is actually used consumed. So why is it necessary to inject our cows with problematic hormones?

I would prefer to buy dairy products from cows no treated with BGH. I urge to adopt definite national guidelines regarding BGH labeling to all fifty states. I look forward to seeing some guidelines placed on BGH products. Thankyou.

Sincerely,


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