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Jane Henney, Commissioner  
Food and Drug Adm.  
Docket #ooP-1211/CPI  
5630 Fishers Ln, Room 1061 (HFA)-305  
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Commissioner,

I am one of the growing number of citizens who think that we have become involved with genetically engineered food much too rapidly. It raises suspicions that the large corporations which are involved in the production of these seeds are unwilling to take the time to thoroughly test them. Already millions of acres of US farmland have been planted, and once these seeds are released in nature then can not be taken back.

There is NO comprehensive government regulation. It appears that those who are expecting the high profits are in charge of the whole program. It is very difficult for me to tell which foods now are really free of genetically engineered material.

I am aware that Aventis contributed \$475,580 to federal election campaigns. This is one way to get favorable legislation and regulations passed, but it does not belong in any honest democratic system. We, the consumers, should be informed and offered a choice. I await your response.

Sincerely yours,



Senator Jean Ankeney

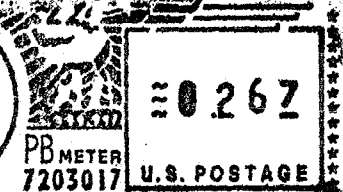
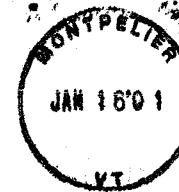
cc to Senators Patrick Leahy and James Jeffords  
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