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Food and Drug Administration
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Dear Sirs:

I am writing to protest the ruling against not requiring labeling of genetically engineered (GE) foods. Organic foods must meet considerable labeling requirements for the safety of the consumer. It seems only logical, therefore, that GE foods have, at the very least, identification on the label as such.

Since GE foods are still in the experimental stages and have been scientifically altered it would be logical to restrict their use, and notify users of potential problems. If they were drugs there would be stringent restrictions before the public would be able to even use the medicine without restriction. Why should there be restrictions on drugs and organic foods, yet not on GE foods?

Genetically engineered foods deserve to be labeled along with other drugs and compounds developed by drug companies.

Sincerely,

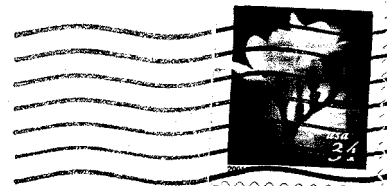


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