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FDA Commissioner
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Food and Drug Administration
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Commissioner,

I am a consumer that buys food for myself and my family. I look at the labels and I avoid chemicals and man made products, favoring instead natural food. For this reason, **I strongly oppose the FDA's new proposed rule to only have voluntary labeling of GE foods.** I hope that you will reconsider and allow me to be informed so I have a choice. You are making an assumption that GE foods are safe for my family and the environment and I am not willing to make that assumption yet. But without appropriate labeling, you are forcing your views of GE on me while I can't avoid them. I believe that you are selling out America to large corporate interests. I hope that this decision can be rethought and you will require labeling on GE food.

Please reconsider,



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