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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets.

We remember that the University of Wisconsin did Monsanto's marketing and also remember that the health investigation was pushed under the rug. The issues of concern in order were: health tests and children's exposure, cow losses in Minnesota, cost of mastitis, economics. The A.M.A. accepted funds from the purveyors of rBGH, even though the material lacked long-term reproductive and carcinogenic testing. This is the way Monsanto works: shove their products down the throats of Americans, with the government's blessing. During one of the "discussions" about rBGH, a government spokeswoman said that everyone should continue to use products containing rBGH, "until we find that there is a problem"...(paraphrasing).

Does our government still expect us to continue using a product which may prove to be dangerous in future years? Has ANY significant testing been done as to the safety of foods containing rBGH?

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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