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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets. I don't want Monsanto deciding what I get to purchase from my grocery store. It's unbelievable to me that there aren't even mandatory labels to let me know if my food is genetically modified or not. If Monsanto controls most of the seeds, then they control most of the farmers and therefore most of my food. Monsanto crops are grown soaked in pesticides and herbicides! I don't want any of that in my body and I don't want it polluting our soil. I want a say in my food, and a choice. I want food from a farmer-not a gigantic company. Why is Monsanto doing so well while farmers are struggling to get by and I'm struggling to buy groceries?

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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