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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets. It nusiates me to hear of the struggle to survive that the farmers at my local farmers' market speak of.. They should be susidised greatly and thanked prufusely for being willing to take part in the struggle to bring fresh, healthful food to their neighbors' tables.

I believe that Monsanto, and all agribusiness, should be soundly regulated, and their seeds analysed and tested before they can be used. I believe the patenting of their seeds should be outlawed. This is for the good - really the survival - of the country and of the world.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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