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US Department of Justice

Dear US Department of Justice:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments in advance of the Department of Justice's workshops on "Agriculture and Antitrust Enforcement Issues in Our 21st Century Economy."

As an organic consumer, I am particularly concerned about Monsanto's control over the seed supply.

This company has completely disregarded the long term impact their actions are having on our closed biological system, in the name of greed and power. To limit the genome of species and create crossed species plants/animals/aquatic life is reprehensible. To top it off, they are one of the partners that have vaulted the pure strains of our global seed stock in Norway. To allow the patenting of plant gemones that have been in existence for millions of years, and more toxic to allow engineered variations patents. Ones that have been shown to cause detriment to life must be stopped. The human/all life health impacts of their toxic herbicides and pesticides contribute massively to global health costs. The revolving door between their company and high level government positions is unacceptable.

The Justice Department is our final hope on stopping the insanity of destroying our current biological system for something that will only bring long term devastation to our planet, our health and those of generations to come.

I urge you to please include in your investigation retaining our public right to purchase true seed strains, including untreated heirloom seed stock, and to keep our seeds. The public domain is where our food supply needs to remain and where it they truly belongs.

Sincerely,

Susan Horn