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US Department of Justice

Dear US Department of Justice:

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GOVERNMENT:  
Comment MONSANTO

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Hello Members of the United States Justice Department,

I am a senior citizen and I have always tried to grow or buy Organic food. I am extremely CONCERNED about research I've investigated about the goals of Bullying Major Companies such as MONSANTO. ESPECIALLY that Monsanto is getting a monopoly on SEEDS and are TREADING ON MY CIVIL RIGHTS AS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN TO BUY NON CONTAMINATED SEEDS. I READ every label on food products and CRINGE at the long list of CHEMICAL ADDITIVES such as preservatives, synthetic colors, flavor enhancing ??? MSG, which is hidden under multiple descriptions and names to intentionally DECEIVE THE PUBLIC plus other (natural flavors) which cause Alergic reaction in thousands of people.

Honestly, do you believe that putting ROUNDUP POISON IN SEEDS IS HEALTHY ??? THINK ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND PARENTS !!! TO ADD INSULT TO INJURY, MONSANTO IS MOVING AT A STEADY PACE TO TAKE MY FREEDOM OF CHOICE AWAY TO BUY HEALTHY HEIRLOOM SEEDS.

MONSANTO is also pushing GMO AND FRANKEN FOODS INTO OUR FOOD CHAIN. The FDA SHOULD NOT ALLOW MONSANTO AND OTHER CORPORATE COMPANIES TO GET AWAY WITH THIS. At the very least the FDA SHOULD REQUIRE DISCLOSURE LABELING. In the LEGAL WORLD it's all about DISCLOSURE, DISCLOSURE, DISCLOSURE. Double Standards, two Sets of Rules sets up DISTRUST and SUSPICION.

Monsanto is also contaminating crops of corn and soy with their GMO crops. This Contamination of Organic Farm Land and Crops is Outrageous and they should be Prosecuted for the Harm they have caused and the Destroying of Land owned by small Organic Farmers.

Doctors who understand Nutrition should be consulted before all these Chemical additives are allowed in our food chain. Chemicals, Hormones and Antibiotics in Milk and Meat and preservatives, dyes and all other additives in our processed food chain ARE AT THE ROOT of ALL DISEASE. LET'S NOT FORGET MONSANTO'S ROUNDUP SEEDS.

SADLY OVER THE LAST FEW DECADES THE INTERESTS OF LARGE CORPORATE COMPANIES HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO "RUN AMUCK" AND DO WHAT THEY WANT. THE FDA IS SUPPOSED TO BE WATCHING OUT FOR AMERICAN CITIZENS NOT CORPORATE COMPANIES.

As Americans we count on our Government Departments to PROTECT OUR RIGHTS. Well that sure hasn't happened. CORRUPTION HAS RUINED OUR BELOVED AMERICA IN MOST AREAS OF our Government.

I NEED TO COUNT ON THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BRING JUSTICE BACK TO THE CITIZENS OF AMERICA !!! THE KEY WORD IS JUSTICE.

CAN I COUNT ON YOU ???

GOD BLESS AMERICA, LAND THAT I LOVE,  
STAND BESIDE HER AND GUIDE HER,  
THROUGH THE NIGHT WITH THE LIGHT FROM ABOVE  
FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE PRAIRIES TO THE OCEANS, WHITE WITH FOAM.  
GOD BLESS AMERICA, MY HOME SWEET HOME,  
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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.

By buying seed companies and aggressively patenting life, Monsanto has gained control over as much as 90 percent of seed genetics. This is anti-competitive behavior that skews markets and subjects farmers and consumers to the unchecked power of a company that can raise prices at will.

But, my main concern is that, while Monsanto has acquired a diverse store of seed genetics, they are only making available a few seeds that are genetically modified to be dependent on their chemicals.

The vast bounty of food crops that farmers have cultivated and improved upon over the last 10,000 or so years should not be allowed to be bought up and put out of commission by a company bent on whittling down food varieties to a few pesticide-dependent genetically modified crops.

The most devious part of Monsanto's business model is that their Frankenseeds can cross-pollinate with organic and traditional varieties, destroying their unique characteristics and infecting them with genetically engineered chemical dependence or even "Terminator" or "Traitor" technology that renders seeds sterile, a literal death sentence for seeds maintained through conventional breeding.

The same way we protect animal species from extinction, we should protect plant species, especially the tens of thousands of food varieties, from companies like Monsanto that are consciously ELIMATING them.

I urge you to please include in your investigation a consideration of the importance keeping seeds, the foundation of human life, at least in the marketplace, if not in the public domain where they truly belong.

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