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

Food is grown and raised in ways that are terrible for the environment, with methods that pollute the water, poison the soil, and threaten our long-term food security.

Monsanto controls the majority of seeds in the US, and threatens farmers who don't buy its seeds. How can one company forget about the American population? Farmers are struggling and big food companies have made record profits this year. Something is very wrong.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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