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Comments Regarding Agriculture and Antitrust Enforcement Issues in Our 21st Century Economy:
I am Caitlin Hill and i am a student at the University of Vermont. I am concerned about the consolidation of corporate power in the food and agriculture sector. I live in a small town in Vermont, and i have witnessed countless local dairy farmers going out of bussiness because they do not get enough of the profits from their produce when large corporations are buying their milk. I work at my local veterinary hospital and this past summer a dairy farming family came in with their cow to get it treated. I spoke with one of the daughters of the farmer and she was excited that it was almost her birthday. I asked her if she was excited for presents and she said not really- we don't get presents so much...

It breaks my heart that families are becoming impoverished due to the workings of large corporations. Please help move the US towards local food, and stop starving the very people who are making the food- our farmers!
-Caitlin Hill, 281 Park St, Barton, VT 05822