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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets. Our food supply is being dominated by an ever smaller number of corporations, who have shown they care little for our health or safety.

Whenever possible, we buy local foods and products both to support our local economy and because the foods are fresher and no transporation fuels are wasted getting them to our table.

Food prices are climbing at an alarming rate in our local supermarkets! I don't know how most people can afford to feed their families anymore. Inflation is very obvious in food prices, while big food companies make record profits.

Please get monopolist and exploitive corporate industrial agriculture out of our food supply. They're killing us.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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