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I'm a recent college graduate, looking to live responsibly. As someone who eats, I am very much concerned about the consolidation of corporate power in the food and agriculture sector. I do my best to buy from farmers markets because it supports the local economy and the food is usually grown in a more sustainable way, but the cost of this better food is more expensive than the grocery store and is difficult to afford on my salary. Many small farmers are going out of business and can't support their families any more, while huge corporations make bigger and bigger profits. I'm also concerned about food safety, given the frequent outbreaks of e.coli. It worries me that my friends and family could be at risk from eating fast food hamburgers, which can be dangerous sources of e. coli.

Thank you the opportunity to share my comments.  
Sincerely,

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