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I work as a computer network engineer. I have no special expertise in agriculture, but I do eat food. I think it's clear that the concentration of agribusiness has led to a deterioration in the quality and safety of our food. I don't think it's an accident that our country is at the top of the list for agribusiness control and also for obesity - high fructose corn syrup is just one example. And the loss of diversity in crops is a disaster that may unfold soon - it's possible that our grandchildren will know bananas only from memory. The only argument for allowing such high levels of concentration in agricultural enterprises is that of political expediency. I'm hoping that letter like mine may help to countervail that argument, because I feel that there is a large constituency in favor of tighter control of these burgeoning corporations.

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