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to whom this may concern:

i am a citizen of the united states with grave concerns for the quality of our health and food sources. i am fortunate to be employed, i am a mother and a grandmother, a daughter, and very concerned about my family's well fair and health, and the effects our food system has on our quality of life.

the consolidation of corporate power in the food and agriculture sector, has made it increasingly more difficult to find affordable nutritious food, that meets my families individual requirements.

it is hard to understand as the major food companies are making record profits, food at the grocery stores is becoming increasingly cost prohibitive, and decreasing in quality. i am of course concerned about my family's safety (outbreak and spread of bacteria like E. coli which happens much faster when meat and vegetables are processed in big centralized locations.)

i have difficulty making it to the farmers markets, and i am grateful to have in my location a few health food stores to shop at, easing some of my concern for myself. however my family is not so flexible with there time and available money, and my parents are elderly, living in assisted living. i am very concerned for them the quality of the foods they are given or have to chose from. it is not cost productive (even though it should be), for the major corporations to look at the individual when they are considering the production, distribution, and ...( manufacturing should not even be a term used for food supply), so the obvious result is they don't. i wonder where the ceo's of these corporations get there food from? personal gardens and gardeners maybe?

please investigate and correct the problems that have developed due to the horizontal and vertical take over of a few big corporations of our food supplies, that have already destroyed some families, and is effecting this country as a whole.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments.

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***peace, one love and pass it on.***