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I am writing because I am concerned about the lack of competition in agricultural markets.

Please consider that the rise in diseases like cancer, multiple sclerosis, and alzheimers is due to the thousands of new food additives that the US government allows to be put in our food source each year. Please be more discriminating. If you don't have the bandwidth to evaluate all of the food additives, please rely on the EU to help you. They seem to restrict more than you do. There was no cancer in my family two generations ago. Now there are three people with it. I have friends and family in their 30's getting chronic diseases and when I was growing up none of my parents friends got sick that early. Protecting our food source is far more important than growing our economy by letting companies make more unnatural food products.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,
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