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Commissioner Jane Henney
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FDA Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
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Commissioner Henney:

This letter is to state my support of the Citizen Petition Docket 00p-1211/CP1. I am extremely concerned about the use of genetically engineered food. I would like to ask the following:

1. That all GE foods be labeled to give consumers an educated choice.
2. For mandatory pre-market safety testing and environmental review of all GE foods.
3. For a moratorium on all GE foods until these requirements are met.
4. That GE foods not be classified as "Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS)"

I am disturbed that people may be unknowingly consuming foods that contain genes from other species, that GE foods have been shown to be a threat to the environment and therefore human health, and that GE agriculture puts organic foods at risk by contaminating crops by "genetic drift."

Thank you for your attention to this extremely important issue,



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