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Dear Commissioner Henney;

Like many Americans, I am very concerned about the safety of the food I choose to eat. I believe it is my right as a consumer to know if the food I am eating has been genetically altered. Such foods pose unknown risks to the environment, to family farmers, and to my health and the health of my family.

In May, a lawsuit was filed challenging the F.D.A.'s policy not to require labels on transgenic foods. I am writing in support of the demands of this lawsuit for safety testing and complete and prominent labels. Consumers should not be made unknowing guinea pigs in the industry's experiments with potentially dangerous foods.

I am eager to hear that the F.D.A. is living up to its mandate to protect public health and will provide the consumers with the information we need about the food we eat.

Sincerely,

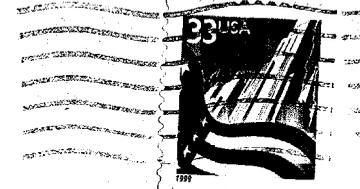
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We have a right and need to know what is in the food we eat and how they are produced.

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