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Dear Commissioner Henney,

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It is very disconcerting that the Dept. of Agriculture and especially the FDA have helped to develop and market the "Terminator Seed". What nature gives freely and in great abundance, the FDA and Monsanto have labored to take back.

The genetic sterilization of plants and seeds could have disastrous effects on all of us, especially poor farmers who rely on seed gathering for next year. I grew up on a truck farm in New Jersey. Every year I was a part of gathering and storing seeds (part of our harvest of beans (one example) for the following growing season.

Of course, there are what seems like wonderful reasons for these seeds. Nevertheless, the bottom line is money - seeds would need to be purchased every year by people who could ill afford further debt buying seeds, fertilizer, etc.

Tax dollars went secretly to develop and market these seeds. Why isn't the Department of Agriculture protecting our farmers and our food supply?

Sincerely,
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