



FDA Commissioner  
Dockets Management Branch (HFA 305)  
Food and Drug Administration  
5630 Fisher's Lane, Room 1061  
Rockville, MD 20852  
re: Dockets 00N-1396 and 00D-1598

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Dear FDA Commissioner:

Members of AARP Bastrop Chapter # 3704 are very concerned about the lack of mandatory labeling and safety testing of genetically engineered foods. We feel that the FDA is not doing an adequate job of protecting us and we question whether these foods should even be on the market.

There is an urgent need for more stringent human and environmental pre-market safety testing of these foods by independent (non-industry funded) scientists. And the consumers' right-to-choose must be protected. Without mandatory labeling we have no way to avoid these foods.

As senior members of the community, we are concerned for the future of our children and most especially our grandchildren who will be forced to eat these manipulated foods for their entire lifetime. Multi-generational studies on the effects of eating this food have not yet been done. We feel it is irresponsible and unfair to put the health of future generations at risk by rushing these foods to our farms and tables.

The decisions you are making are altering life on this planet and the consequences could be irreversible and devastating. Please proceed with caution and at the very least, allow us freedom of choice in the marketplace.

Sincerely,

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