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Eileen L. Stommes,
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Washington, DC. 20090-6456

Dear Ms. Stommes,

Well it seems the attempts to pass on various waste products & genetically engineered foods of questionable safety never end. Did it occur to you that so many of us are opting for organically grown food in order to get away from the substances you wish to add.

Pesticides cause cancer, deplete the soil of nutrients, and cruel & inhuman treatment of animals in factory farm style environments

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is unacceptable and all the hormones, antibiotics & DES are certainly not something consumers need passed on to them.

This letter, if you haven't already gathered, is my loud & vehement opposition to the "Organic Food Production act" set forth by the nat'l Organic Standards Board.

I would suggest you read "Diet for a New America" by John Robbins. It might raise your consciousness & your level of integrity in your decision making relative to the health & well being of humanity - rather than treating us like guinea pigs for any new technology or waste products that come down the pike.

also I support small farmers who have the courage to grow healthy food. It is interesting they can also still make a profit without compromising high standards of organic farming.

I support organic standards as they currently stand. Why try to fix something that already works & doesn't need fixing?

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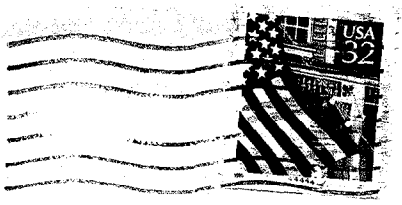

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