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Dear Folks:

I am writing in support of very prominent labeling of irradiated food. It is essential & the only ethical choice for the F.D.A. to approve. Irradiation kills or renders unuseable essential vitamins and enzymes and other nutrients which we consumers have a great need for. It is also highly questionable how long before bacteria will mutate to become immune to radiation, as they have already in the holding ponds for spent fuel rods at Savannah River. Please at least give us a choice. You've already started this experiment. Let some of us choose to opt out thru prominent labeling.

Sincerely, Gwen Blodgett

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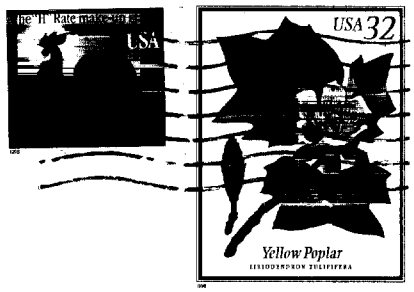

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