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Re: Docket # OOP-1211-CP1

Dear Commissioner Henney:

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I'm a breast-cancer survivor. During my cancer treatment, I changed to organically-grown food. The good news about this type of food is that it made me very sensitive to chemotherapy & now it's keeping in remission. For me to continue to be in remission, my food has to be organically-grown according to the Organic Food Production Act of 1990 and the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB).

As a consumer of the organic sector, I have found out that if I eat food grown under the USDA (commercial food) it's like giving a recovering heart patient food with a lot of cholesterol, salt, & fat! ~~Como~~ In other words, commercial food causes me cancer.

Lately & to my shocking surprise, I found out that commercial food causes weird psychological effects on me. I feel I'm going to go crazy. I couldn't believe what I was feeling! With commercial food, I've also noticed I can't cope with life's problems. The pain is so great that I feel I'm going to go crazy. But when I cleanse my system & go back to organically-grown food, the

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sensation of going crazy goes away & I'm fine. And, even if I'm having the same problem, I consider the source & able to go on with my life & don't feel like I'm going to go crazy.

So, as you can see, I can't afford for the biotechnology people through the USDA to mess around with the organic sector. They are already contaminating the organic sector with their genetic drift. This is not acceptable for my health as their contamination on our organic food supply will cause my cancer to come back & I'll die. My doctors have already told me that if the cancer comes back, they can't help me.

Therefore, I totally oppose genetically engineered agriculture, please! It's not safe. It's already contaminating the organic sector & harmed the Monarch caterpillars. In addition, there are a lot of concerns like insect immunity to the Bt toxin, inactivation of food enzymes that are so vital for so many body functions ("counterfeit freshness"), unknown long-term health effects on humans & wildlife, additional damage to the ecosystem, the creation of new allergens & toxins, & religious & moral concerns about

genes from animals being used in the gene engineering process.

I demand a moratorium be imposed on genetically engineered agriculture & request that the commercial sector be converted into organic agriculture. This is the only way we will be able to prevent cancer, mental illness, & who knows how many other diseases not to mention USDA's disrespect & pollution on the environment, beloved wildlife, & insect life. I can't believe these jerks the USDA oppressing the land that way, oppressing us with so many diseases, & eventually killing us only to make the buck. Because that is what the problem is, avarice. Please impose a moratorium on genetically engineered agriculture & convert the commercial sector into organically-grown agriculture, please!

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