

Commissioner Jane Henney
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As an American citizen, I am very concerned about the release of genetically modified foods into the mainstream market.

It is shocking to me that our so called consumer protection agency, a.k.a. the FDA, allowed food with ingredients that contain genetically modified organisms (GMO), to be consumed by the American public without adequate testing. There are no long-term studies exploring the effects on humans and the environment.

Among my concerns are the possible presence of new toxins, antibiotic resistance, and allergic reactions and other dietary risks for consumers.

Additionally, I have major concerns that introducing GMO's into the environment poses a significant risk. Once you introduce this type of technology into nature, it is impossible to "call it back". The very genetic structure of nature, perfect the way it is, is being manipulated to meet our demands without any concerns for the implications for other species in the plant AND animal kingdoms.

HUMANS ARE NOT THE SUPERIOR RACE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

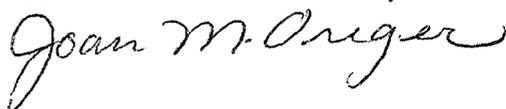
Furthermore, organic food crops are at a continued risk as "genetic drift" occurs as yet another side effect of our greed.

WE MUST BE RESPONSIBLE WITH OUR TECHNOLOGY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I want a moratorium on all GMO's until adequate and independent (performed by those which have no connection to the major corporate players like Monsanto and DOW Chemical) studies have been carried out.

The Food and Drug Administration must not allow the American people to be put at any further risk that has already occurred. At the hands of corporate greed!

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