



ORGANIC CONSUMERS ASSOCIATION

PETITION TO PROTECT AND EXPAND ORGANIC AGRICULTURE

We, the undersigned, call on Maine's Congressional Representatives to:

1 • Support a moratorium or a strict "polluter pays" liability law on GE Crops

Windblown pollen and commingled seeds from genetically engineered (GE) crops are polluting organic farms and seed stocks, in effect taking away the property rights of non-GE farmers.

2 • Co-sponsor House Bill #2916

House bill #2916 restores consumer choice by requiring food companies to label all foods containing GE ingredients. In Europe, mandatory labeling laws have basically driven GE foods off the market.

3 • Join the Organic Caucus in Congress

The Organic Caucus is a body set up to safeguard strict organic standards and promote organic agriculture.

4 • Support major changes in the 2007 Farm Bill

The new Farm Bill should sharply increase subsidies for organic or sustainable farming practices and renewable energy, while reducing or eliminating subsidies for chemical-intensive and GE crops, starting with cotton. Congress currently gives \$20-30 billion in annual taxpayer subsidies to conventional and biotech farm crops, while allocating \$5 million or less to organic agriculture.

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