

August 13, 2023

Environmental Protection Agency Michael S Regan, Administrator 1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, DC 20004

Dear EPA:

I am writing to you as a concerned member of All Saint's Church, Pasadena, CA, to express concern that the EPA does not regulate pesticide-coated seeds with the same rigor it does pesticides. Seeds coated with neonicotinoid pesticides are decimating our bees, birds, and butterflies. Just one GMO corn seed coated with neonicotinoid pesticides contains enough pesticide to kill over 80,000 bees, and one seed can fatally poison a bird. In addition, the pesticide coating comes off the seed after planting, contaminating our soil, wildflowers, and water.

The EPA has never regulated pesticide coated seeds as pesticides under federal law.

Companies like Monsanto have taken advantage of this massive oversight and 95% of corn seeds in the US now come coated with neonicotinoid pesticides. We are joining the Center for Food Safety in demanding that the EPA evaluate and regulate pesticide coated seeds as they would any other pesticide.

Thank you,		
(Print Name and Address)		