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A response

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I agree that a safe and sustainable food supply is good for the health of people and the planet. Unfortunately, a recent article in *The Morning Star* contained misinformation about <u>genetically modified (GM) crops</u> that must be corrected.

What readers should know is that all crops derived from biotechnology are subject to Canada's strict regulatory standards, ensuring that Canadians have access to one of the safest food supplies in the world.

Extensive safety reviews are completed by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and Health Canada before any plant biotechnology is approved.

Part of the safety review includes looking at potential impacts on beneficial insects like bees.

Pollinator health is crucial to agriculture and our industry takes the issue of bee health very seriously. In fact the plant science industry conducts in-depth research into both pesticides and biotech crops from an early stage to ensure they do not negatively impact non-target species like bees.

GM crops enjoy a remarkable food safety record, having been cultivated for well over a decade and eaten by billions of people worldwide.

In fact, regulatory agencies around the world as well as highly regarded international organizations like the World Health Organization, have all endorsed the safety of GM crops.

In Canada, farmers choose to grow genetically improved varieties of corn, canola and soybeans, and other crops due to the numerous benefits they offer such as increased yields and environmental sustainability.

The fact of the matter is that GM crops are not a safety concern thanks to rigorous regulatory standards and therefore do not need to be labeled.

Biotech crops are federally regulated and have been proven safe to eat. If consumers want to avoid foods derived from GM crops, they can buy foods that are labeled organic.

Lorne Hepworth, President, CropLife Canada

## COMMENTS

## April Reeves

Such a load of garbage...

Show us the tests. Health Canada is not set up for any testing of GM: they only review the biotech's results: biased as the sun is hot....

If your GM crap is so great, why are you so quiet about it? Why not tell the world "This sauce has GM in it!" But you can't because you know Pandora's Box will open for you. And NO studies have been done on the long term health effects. As for the environment, better pray the experiment doesn't fail = it's your kids and grandkids on the line as well. But what sociopath would even consider that. We're pissed and tired of the whole GM garbage...

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April Reeves is listed among CANADA'S PROMINENT ANTI-PESTICIDE ACTIVISTS.

Reeves has been a PRINCIPAL ARCHITECT in the CONSPIRACY TO PROHIBIT pest control products used in the Urban Landscape in Richmond, British Columbia, and throughout the province.

CULPRITS - CANADA'S PROMINENT ANTI-PESTICIDE TERRORISTS (Web-Page)

http://wp.me/P1jq40-46L

Her ANTI-PESTICIDE ACTS OF SUBVERSION have EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED the Professional Lawn Care Industry.

CARNAGE CAUSED BY CATASTROPHIC ANTI-PESTICIDE PROHIBITION (Web-Page)

http://wp.me/P1jq40-26P

Because of ARBITRARY PESTICIDE BANS IMPOSED by Reeves and her co-conspirators, the owners, employees, and families dependent on Professional Lawn Care businesses face TERROR, DESPAIR, and DESTITUTION.

Anti-Pesticide Activists like Reeves DESTROYED their businesses, their assets, their customers, their homes, their lifestyles, their job security, their families, their children, their loved-ones, and their future.

Anti-Pesticide Activists like Reeves HURLED them all into SQUALOR and DESPAIR, forcing them to BURN-IN-HELL.

They are Anti-Pesticide AGGRESSORS, of sorts.

People PLEAD with then to STOP, and yet, they NEVER STOP HURTING and with their AGGRESSION, which resembles a form of RAPE.

The Anti-Pesticide AGGRESION against the Professional Lawn Care Industry was PREPARATORY TO AN ATTACK AGAINST AGRICULTURAL USES.

Anti-Pesticide CONSPIRACIES AGAINST AGRICULTURE are currently being conducted by Hamir and Canadian Cancer Society.

AGRICULTURE - TARGETED BY ANTI-PESTICIDE ACTIVISTS ... AND MORE (Web-Page )

http://wp.me/P1jq40-2Mt

Health Canada, and NOT Reeves, has THE ESSENTIAL EXPERTISE on the subject of pest control products and genetically-modified crops.

Reeves is RIDICULOUSLY IMPLYING that her NON-EXPERT ASSESSMENT is somehow being withheld from Health Canada and EVERY other regulatory agency in the world.

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http://pesticidetruths.com/

PESTICIDE BANS ARE A FARCE (Report)

http://wp.me/p1jq40-4mS

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