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Question1: It doesn't matter because without more money for family farmers we won't need to buy land because there will not be anybody left to farm it.

Question2: American farmer's can't be competitive and we can't produce anything because the government is driving us out of business because you are reducing payment to us.

Question3: I've read the transcripts from your meetings in Nebraska and Kansas and noticed several farmers bringing up the issue of payment limitations. One farmer stated the limits should be lowered because they gave ?bigger farmers? advantages over smaller farmers. I think what this farmer meant by ?bigger farmers? was the difference between a person farming 2,500 acres as opposed to a person farming 500 acres.

What family farmers really need to be concerned about is this: In 2003 (the latest figures available) Riceland Food Inc received almost \$69 million dollars of subsidies for rice and other commodities, Pilgrim's Pride Corporation received over \$11 million dollars worth of subsidies for wheat, sorghum, cotton and soy and Cargill Turkey Products received approximately \$6.5 million dollars for avian flu indemnity. These are just three examples from a list of 20 entities receiving large sums of government money.

Why do these three corporations with revenues of \$951 million, 1.4 billion and 2.1 billion respectively need to receive government subsidies? These companies can and do pass increased production costs on to consumers. Subsidies should only be given to entities, such as ourselves, who have no market power or ability to pass our rising production costs on to consumers. So while these huge corporations are laughing all the way to the bank, we're losing sleep and getting ulcers trying to figure out how we are going to get the money to farm next year. Taking money away from us isn't the answer.

Family farmers need financial help now. But the future farm bill needs a provision prohibiting any entity whose average adjusted income exceeds \$25 million or some amount from receiving any type of subsidy. Money budgeted for agriculture should be used to help those in need, to support rural development, and provide a future for our industry ? and not given to greedy corporations. These entities earn money ? they earn profits, they have profit margins. America's family farmers just have a vague memory of what a profit is ? and forget profit margins, we worry about debt margins. So design the new bill for us ? not corporate America.

Question4: The WTO doesn't farm in America. Thanks to them our government's continuing cutting of payments to family farmers, we are losing our domestic supply of food and fiber.

Question5: You don't need rural economic growth because without farmer's

there will BE no rural America. You are forcing American farmers out of business.

Question6: You are only listening to Cargill, Riceland Foods, Producers Rice Mill etc, on this question, so don't insult us. The next Farm Bill should be titled "Corporate Farm Bill".