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Responsibility

I simply cannot believe that Mr. Hanley of Monsanto really used the word misunderstand so many times in the Sept. 14 article on free enterprise. Mr. Hanley expressed concern that consumer skepticism toward business is turning to hostility. He suggested educating the misinformed public to a better understanding of the economic process.

I would like to suggest that Mr. Hanley explain who paid for the cleanup of PCB (made by Monsanto) contaminated fish in the park lakes, and why. He is correct in saying that we do not understand the kind of economics that allows an industry to produce harmful products and not assume the responsibility that goes with it. Mr. Hanley also called on the media to accept their responsibility of accurate business reporting. Responsibility is a two-way street and if Monsanto has acted responsibly in this matter, I, for one, would like to know it.

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