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Fox to Guard Henhouse? Former Monsanto VP May Be Named To Head FDA Safety Working Group

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Sometimes I'm just rendered speechless, and this is one of those times. Natasha Chart via [Sustainable Food](#) at Change.org:

Obama's considering appointing [a former Monsanto vice president, Mike Taylor](#), to head the Food Safety Working Group at the FDA.

As Jill Richardson writes at *LaVidaLocavore* at the link above, **Taylor thinks the FDA wastes too much time on food safety inspections at meat packing plants. Further, he believes that one of their main problems is that they have to slow down their line speed too much.**

Everyone who's read anything about the horrendous working conditions at US meatpacking plants knows that **incomplete kills before slaughter and worker injuries increase dramatically when line speeds increase.**

As also noted at the Ethicurean, Taylor is the reason [milk from rBGH/rBST cows doesn't have to be labeled](#). Bovine growth hormone is perfectly safe, after all. [Except for cows, or humans who drink its breakdown products in milk.](#)

So yes, Mike Taylor is the person we have to thank for putting pus from mastitis-infected cows into the milk supply, and exposing milk-drinking Americans by the millions to greater cancer risks.

This guy is heading up a food safety working group.

I'm just swimming in the changeiness.

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