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Let R be a commutative ring with unit. Let X and Y be sets of indeterminates over R. We study subrings R[X;Y,f] of R[X][[Y]], where f is a nonnegative real-valued increasing function. These rings R[X;Y,f] are obtained from elements of R[X][[Y]] by bounding their total X-degree above by f on their Y-degree. Such rings naturally arise from studing p-adic analytic variation of zeta functions over finite fields. Under certain conditions, Wan and Davis showed that if R is Noetherian, then so is R[X;Y,f]. In this paper we give an equivalent condition for R[X;Y,f] to be a Noetherian ring when Y has more than one variable and f grows at least as fast as linear. It turns out that the ring R[X;Y,f] is not Noetherian for a quite large class of functions f including the functions that were asked about by Wan. (Received September 13, 2012)