



March 6, 2012

Brian Dowling
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Safeway, Inc.
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Dear Brian,

I would like to thank you for taking the time to respond to our shareholder resolution asking for a report on the use of BPA. It was very informative and we were pleasantly surprised to see how far along the company was in addressing BPA in a variety of products. Given the company's proactive stance on this issue and its agreement for increasing transparency and future discussion we believe our concerns would be best addressed through a good faith dialogue with the company and that a resolution is unnecessary at this time.

As You Sow is withdrawing the resolution on behalf of the Hazen Foundation based on the follow conditions:

1. Transparency: the company will post the attached statement on its website before the date of its 2012 annual general meeting.
2. Future Dialogue: the company will join in a dialogue with shareholders within 6 months to describe the process the company went through in evaluating the issues surrounding BPA, how it identified alternatives, and in general, help shareholders better understand how the company deals with the challenges and opportunities of controversial products.

Please let me know if you want to discuss any of the above in further detail, and we look forward to continuing our dialogue on food safety issues.

Sincerely,

Michael Passoff
Senior Strategist