

Subject: Leo Yifu Liu - plastic bag letter

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Subject:

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To whom this may concern

I am writing to you to stop using plastic bags and use reusable bags.

You are a very big company and me and my family really like buying stuff from your supermarket but my worst concern is plastic.

Did you know that there is 5.25 trillion pieces of plastic debris in the ocean and can you believe that 100 seabirds are killed by marine litter, 100,000 sea turtles and other marine mammals such as dolphins, whales and seals. Make a big change and get rid of plastic.

Plastic is very bad for the sea life and the other animals that live beneath the sea, well if you could stop using plastic then it will sort out all these problems like losing sea animals or even worse the sea becoming a rubbish dump. Do you like going to the beach? Well if you think about it in a few years time there may be no beaches or oceans but plastic everywhere. Do you like dolphins or other sea life? Well if you keep using plastic you might not see your favorite sea animal. Think about if you were a sea animal and other people throw plastic in your environment shouldn't you be mad or angry. Make a big change and get rid of plastic.

Did you see the news? Well if you did then you would hear them talk about plastic and supermarkets getting rid of plastic bags well if you could do the same then it would be great for example Countdown,

New World and Pak n Save are using reusable bags so maybe you can make a big change and follow them on their path to get rid of plastic bags and bring in reusable bags. Make a big change and get rid of plastic.

You can create lots of reusable bags with your company name but you have to still think about the other things in your supermarket like the fruit bags they are still plastic too right. Well if you run out of ideas you can replace the plastic bags into paper bags to let your customers to use and the ones that you put your fruit and veggies in you could replace those into paper bags too. I really like your ideas and the basket or trolley that you use to contain stuff in it's really a great idea to use those and no other supermarket has thought of that. Make a big change and get rid of plastic.

Have you ever thought about those poor countries well some of them are filled with plastic and if you think about it then you will feel the same way as I do. Think about it if you were those people then wouldn't you get sick or even die well those people will feel the same as you if you were them because some will even suffer to death because of plastic pollution also when we are eating fish the fish might have eaten plastic and I'm sure you won't like having plastic in your body. Make a big change and get rid of plastic.

The earth is a big world and we humans can stop plastic so that we don't lose any beaches, favorite sea animals and we don't have to eat plastic so please make a big change and get rid of plastic.

Kind regards

Leo Liu