



February 12, 2001

Amy Buringrud
P O Box 65
Otis OR 97368

Dear Ms. Buringrud:

Thank you for taking the time to write and voice your concerns about genetically engineered or modified foods.

At QFC we believe consumers have a basic right to know the relevant information about the products they buy, including genetically modified foods. QFC, as part of The Kroger Company, supports the FDA's food labeling policy, which requires appropriate labeling if genetic engineering significantly changes the structure, function or nutritional makeup of the food. We believe it is the FDA's responsibility to clearly define what constitutes a GM food or product, and to maintain an active, science-based monitoring program to ensure that only safe, wholesome and nutritious products reach the market.

QFC considers food safety to be a top priority. If scientific evidence develops that GM foods are unsafe, we could cease selling them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Darrell Webb'.

Darrell Webb
President

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