

The Diocese Of Southeast Florida

May 5, 2007

Mr. John Chidsey, CEO
Burger King Corporation Office
5505 Blue Lagoon Drive
Miami, FL 33126

Dear Mr. Chidsey,

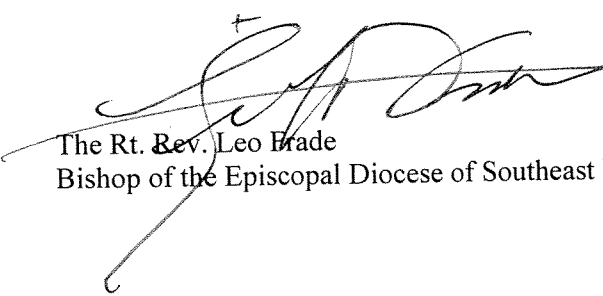
As bishop of the Diocese of Southeast Florida, in which your corporate headquarters is located, and as a religious leader of a tradition committed to justice, I am writing out of deep concern for the farmworkers who pick the tomatoes that supply Burger King restaurants.

During the Advent season last year, I wrote to you urging that Burger King address this issue, and am disappointed to see that instead, your corporation has taken proactive steps to the contrary. I write you again today with the same urgent call for farmworker justice.

The Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW) has established a working model for corporate social responsibility that advances and ensures the human rights of farmworkers in the corporate supply chain. As you know, McDonald's has now joined Yum Brands in partnering with the CIW, and it is only a matter of time before other fast-food corporations too will realize they too must respond to the call for justice and respect for the human rights of farmworkers. I call on Burger King to reconsider its rejection of the CIW's demands, which was announced publicly in February of this year. Your corporation has the opportunity to re-open the door to negotiations with the CIW, and join Yum Brands and McDonald's in being industry leaders in social responsibility.

Like Episcopalians around the country, Episcopalians in the Miami community and throughout the Diocese of Southeast Florida, which incorporates churches from Key West to Jensen Beach, are standing with the CIW in the growing movement for fair food and corporate social responsibility, and will continue to do so until justice and dignity are won. The Episcopal Church recently endorsed the Alliance for Fair Food, a robust network of organizations that are partnering with the CIW in their efforts, and more religious institutions and other groups continue to join the movement. I urge Burger King to do the right and just thing—work together with the CIW for dignity and justice for farmworkers in your corporation's supply chain.

Blessings,



The Rt. Rev. Leo Wade
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Southeast Florida