



February 2, 2022

Son Joseph
Chief Executive Officer
Arirang, USA

Dear Son Joseph:

I am writing on behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. PETA entities have more than 9 million members and supporters globally. Two PETA Asia exposés of Thailand's coconut industry reveal that monkeys are used to collect coconuts—an inherently cruel practice in which these social, intelligent animals are kept chained, caged, and exploited. **Chaokoh brand coconut milk, which is sold at your stores, was implicated in these investigations.** We urge Company to reconsider its relationship with Chaokoh and to verify that none of the coconut products it sells uses monkeys in any part of production.

Following the investigations, more than 33,000 stores worldwide announced policies against selling Chaokoh. These include major retailers like Kroger, Target, Walgreens, and Wegmans and international food stores Super King Markets and Nam Dae Mun Farmers Market. Chaokoh's ties to monkey abuse have been covered in *USA Today*, *National Geographic*, and the *Los Angeles Times*, among other international outlets—yet Chaokoh has declined to comment publicly.

May we hear back from you about this issue as soon as possible? I would also be happy to meet with you by phone or video call and look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

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