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Dear Martin Hyson

For the second year running Budgens has been awarded best fresh and chilled convenience retailer of the year. I know it is fully deserved as the dear wife and I are regular customers at your nearby store. You also run Londis. Well done for getting round the licensing rules. By having small stores you are open all hours on a Sunday when your bigger competitors have to shut up shop. It means Mrs Shullot can buy a loaf of bread on Sunday evening for my Monday sandwiches.

Perhaps you could look at a similar device to avoid the rules being inflicted on you because of climate change. The government wants to make supermarkets part of the emissions trading scheme and show the carbon impact of your food. It's all absurd. How can you expect to comply with these laws and still be competitive in the face of the big supermarkets and online shopping? What chance of being best fresh and chilled convenience retailer for three years running?

This is all the work of the greens in Whitehall and their fellow travellers in Greenpeace, Friends of the Earth, Climate Action, the Green party, the Carbon Trust, the Energy Savings Trust, Earthwatch and the Countryside Alliance. Now these groups have the humour of Maggie Thatcher (God bless her) and the persuasiveness of the Chinese man who leads the Liberal Democrats. They pose a danger to the morals of our children polluting their minds with riot and rebellion. But somehow their tentacles have extended into government policy and taken the form of supermarket-bashing.

Nothing else the government is doing to cut CO2 emissions is working so why should it all fall to you? Let me know how you intend to fight the harbingers of the Apocalypse.

Good luck to you and your fine company.

Yours sincerely

Peter Shullot