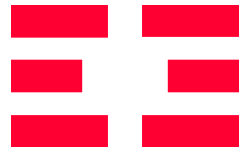




Giant Eagle

Subsidiaries: GetGo, Market District, Ok Grocery, American Seaway Foods, Tamarkin, Butler Refrigerated Meats, HBC, Riser Foods
Locations: Pennsylvania (HQ)
Industries: Food and Staples Retailing

RISK LEVEL:



High Risk

DESCRIPTION:

Giant Eagle scored a 100 on the 2023 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. By complying with the HRC's controversial demands, Giant Eagle increases the risk of dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. The company covers transgender-related medical costs for its employees and their children and provides specific sexual orientation and gender identity-based benefits. It also uses sex and gender ideology criteria in employee recruitment, vendor selection, marketing, and philanthropic support. Giant Eagle forces employees to undergo multiple ideological trainings and uses its reputation, corporate funds, and political influence to support controversial sex and gender ideologies, organizations, and legislation. The company provides a benefits package for employees which covers travel/lodging costs for an abortion and transgender medical procedures for covered employees and dependents, including children. Giant Eagle's CEO signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge and committed to being carbon neutral by 2040. The company provides a benefits package for employees which covers travel/lodging costs for an abortion and donated \$350,00 during the 2020 BLM protests to "social justice causes". Giant Eagle donated partial proceeds from every rainbow cake slice sold to various LGBTQ organizations. For these reasons, Giant Eagle receives a High Risk rating.

Corporate Weaponization

Has denied service to customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries. **Medium Risk**

Giant Eagle received a score of 100 recruit's employees based on sexual identity issues. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (1)(2). However, Giant Eagle has not publicly terminated business relationships due to religious beliefs or political views.

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs. **High Risk**

Giant Eagle (1)(2). Giant Eagle does not discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs (3).

Employment policies fail to protect against discrimination based on political affiliation/views and/or religion. **High Risk**

Giant Eagle indicates the company forces employees to attend multiple, controversial trainings on gender identity, sexual orientation, transgender issues, and divisive racial ideology. The company provides gender transition guidelines for its employees and specific

benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (1)(2). Giant Eagle's CEO signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge, which includes a commitment to promote DEI through bias education training in the workplace (3)(4). The company(5).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy

Uses corporate reputation to support ideological causes and/or organizations hostile to freedom of expression. High Risk

Giant Eagle indicates the company agrees to allow a controversial stakeholder group focused on sexual identity issues to dictate marketing or advertising strategy (1)(2). By doing so, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Giant Eagle committed to achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2040 (3).

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of expression. High Risk

(1)(2)(3). The company indicates the company covers transgender related costs for its employees and their children, including paid short-term leave, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, chest surgeries, genital surgeries, medical visits and lab monitoring, travel and lodging. Additionally, the company has pledged philanthropic support of at least one organization or event that promotes sex and gender ideology (4)(5). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. During the BLM protests in 2020, Giant Eagle announced it would donate \$350,000 to "social justice causes" (6). Giant Eagle donated partial proceeds from every slice of Rainbow Cake sold to various LGBTQ+ organizations (7).

Uses corporate political contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

High Risk

Giant Eagle indicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives (1)(2). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Giant Eagle has not used its PAC donations for ideological purposes and does not report on its lobbying at this time(3)(4)(5).

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