

## **DISCLOSURE MATERIALS**

Certified B Corporations must complete a Disclosure Questionnaire to identify potentially sensitive issues related to the company (e.g. historical fines, sanctions, material litigation, or sensitive industry practices).

This component does not affect the company's score on the B Impact Assessment. If the company answers affirmatively to any items in the Disclosure Questionnaire and B Lab deems them to be material, the company must be transparent about the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to background checks by B Lab staff. Background checks include a review of public records, news sources, and search engines for company names, brands, executives/founders, and other relevant topics.

Sensitive issues identified through background checks may or may not be within the scope of questions in the Disclosure Questionnaire, but undergo the same review process and are subject to the same possible review by the Standards Advisory Council, including ineligibility for B Corp Certification, required remediation, or disclosure.

This document contains a copy of the company's completed Disclosure Questionnaire and related disclosure documentation provided by the company.



B Corp Certification - Disclosure Questionnaire Documentation Disclosure Questionnaire category: Energy and Emissions Intensive industry Updated as of: 07/04/2023

Monzesi Spa Società Benefit is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as energy and emission-intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment based on their carbon emissions associated with their operations and their contribution to climate change. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such activities or industries.

Any party aware of specific company practices that have had a negative impact related to their involvement in the sensitive industry, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our <u>public complaints procedure</u>.

## **Risk Review Committee Recommendations**

Thanks for your transparency on this topic. Our existing standards require that companies in such an industry / with such a practice are required to make this issue transparent to ensure that stakeholders are aware. This disclosure, however, is not intended to imply a judgment against the company and does not imply that the company is violating the standards of B Corp Certification, as you are eligible to proceed with the certification and a high percentage of B Corps are required to have a disclosure on their profile. Given the size of your company, and therefore the overall scale of the potential impact of this issue, we have a standardized disclosure on the topic to ensure transparency and consistency with other companies.

In addition to this disclosure, recognizing the potential impact of this issue, we do nonetheless provide recommendations to companies to ensure that they are thoughtfully managing these topics. To that end, we recommend that the company take into extra consideration the following suggested actions as they continue to manage their impacts if you have not done so already:

- Identifying the energy source(s) the company uses (fossil fuels, natural gas, biodiesel, solar, etc.).
- Identifying and being transparent about the primary contributors to its carbon footprint.
- Managing energy use and carbon emissions with measurable and timebound energy and/or carbon reduction targets.
- Benchmarking against others in its industry in terms of energy usage, carbon emissions, and/or how these impacts are managed.

While there is not an expectation of specific practices in place by the company at this time, these would be topics that would be asked should there be material complaints received through our complaints process, and may be further incorporated into our standards in the future as we continue to improve them. Please take them into consideration.

If you have specific practices related to this matter shared publicly through the company's website, such as a sustainability report, please share one link with us by 7/7/2023 and we can include it in the disclosure. Otherwise, we will proceed with the finalization of your disclosure report.

Sincerely,

B Lab Risk Review Committee



## **B Corp Certification - Disclosure Questionnaire Documentation**

**Disclosure Questionnaire category:** Water Intensive industry

Updated as of: 07/04/2023

Monzesi Spa Società Benefit is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as water intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment, such as water stress or depletion of local water sources if water use is not appropriately managed. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such activities or industries.

Any party aware of specific company practices that have had a negative impact related to their involvement in the sensitive industry, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our public complaints procedure.

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- Identifying the water source(s) the company uses and how the usage impacts other stakeholders that rely on that water source.
- Identifying whether its operations are located in a water-stressed region, measuring and managing the nature of the water stress, and the impacts observed as well as taking action in response to the water stress.
- Managing the water intensity resources the company uses with measurable and timebound specific water reduction targets.
- Benchmarking against others in its industry in terms of water usage and/or management.

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