

Boughey Distribution Ltd

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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 that B Lab deems relevant for public stakeholders, then, as a condition of their certification, the company must:

- Be transparent about details of the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report
- 2) Describe how the company has addressed this issue
- 3) Demonstrate that management practices are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future, when necessary.

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

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to a background check 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.

B Lab's Public Complaints Process

Any party may submit a complaint about a current B Corp through B Lab's Public Complaint Process. Grounds for complaint include:

- 1) Intentional misrepresentation of practices, policies, and/or claimed outcomes during the company's certification process
- 2) Breaches of the B Corp Community's core values as expressed in our Declaration of Interdependence

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



Disclosure Questionnaire

Industries and Products

Yes No Please indicate if the company is involved in production of or trade in any of the following. Select Yes for all options that **Animal Products or Services** $\boxed{}$ **Biodiversity Impacts** \square Chemicals \square **Disclosure Alcohol** \square **Disclosure Firearms Weapons** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Mining** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Pornography** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Tobacco** $\boxed{}$ **Energy and Emissions Intensive** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ <u>Industries</u> Fossil fuels \square Gambling **Genetically Modified Organisms** $\boxed{}$ Illegal Products or Subject to $\boxed{}$ **Phase Out** Industries at Risk of Human \square **Rights Violations Monoculture Agriculture** \square **Nuclear Power or Hazardous** \square **Materials** Payday, Short Term, or High **Interest Lending Water Intensive Industries** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ Tax Advisory Services

Outcomes & Penalties

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company has had any formal complaint to a regulatory agency or been assessed any fine or sanction in the past five years for any of the following practices or policies. Check all that apply.		
Anti-Competitive Behavior		\checkmark
Breaches of Confidential Information		K
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		V
Company has filed for bankruptcy		
Consumer Protection		V
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		N
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		K
Labor Issues		V
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		V
Litigation or Arbitration	\checkmark	
On-Site Fatality	V	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		N
Political Contributions or International Affairs		N.
Recalls		
Significant Layoffs		V
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		N
Other		V



Practices

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the following statements are true regarding whether or not the company engages in the following practices. Check all that apply. If the statement is true, select "Yes." If false, select "No."		
Animal Testing		V
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		V
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		\checkmark
Company workers are prisoners		\searrow
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		
Confirmation of Right to Work		V
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		\searrow
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		\searrow
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		\vee
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		N.
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		\vee
No signed employment contracts for all workers		V
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		V
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		V

	Yes	No
Sale of Data		\vee
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		Ŋ
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		Ŋ
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		\supset
Workers paid below minimum wage		V
Workers Under Bond		\checkmark
Other	\checkmark	

Supply Chain Disclosures

	Yes	No
Please indicate if any of the following statements are true regarding your company's significant suppliers.		
Business in Conflict Zones		N
Child or Forced Labor		N
Negative Environmental Impact		V
Negative Social Impact		V
Other		V



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Environmentally Intensive Industries - Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries

Topic	Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries
Summary of Issue	Boughey Distribution operates a fleet of 140 vehicles and 250 trailers, and manages 1.1m sq ft of ambient warehousing at its two sites in Nantwich and Crewe, Cheshire.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	Revenue came from: • Distribution (58.9%): Distribution of goods by road • Warehousing (41.1%): finished ambient goods and consumer products The company's Scope 1 is 496,264 kg CO2
	The company's Scope 2 is 772,452 kg CO2 The company's Scope 3 is 5,041 kg CO2
Impact on Stakeholders	Energy intensive activities, such as warehousing and distribution, pose an environmental risk due to the emissions produced by such energy use. The extent of environmental impact is dependent on the energy sources utilized and management practices in place to manage energy use.
Implemented Management Practices	Currently, Boughey Distribution's transport fleet contributes to 80% of the company's CO2 emissions. The company is committed to replacing diesel vehicles with alternative technology and is reviewing all current available technology. All vehicles have been replaced with the latest Euro 6 technology. In addition the company started using all-electric vehicles with a 180 mile range to support local deliveries and has plans to increase the numbers of electric vehicles, and is trialing HVO100 across a number of vehicles to assess if this is a suitable option.
	The company plans to install 37600 sq foot of solar panels, expected to save 168.62 tco2e annually. Their sustainability plan that includes net zero emissions by 2040.
	In the year 2022/23 the company has saved the followed tCO2e-



32 tonnes saved by switching fuel on site vehicles to HVO100 97 tonnes saved by changing some of our trailers to 8 Double Decker trailers (meaning they can carry more volume per vehicle removing unnecessary travel and vehicles from the road) 150 tonnes saved by operating 10 extended length trailers as part of a government led scheme

643 tonnes saved by improving Miles per gallon efficiencies of our vehicles by 2.1% through driver engagement and coaching on driver styles.

Carbon intensity ratio for all offices and warehouse space has also been reduced from 13.61 to 12.39 by the introduction of LED lighting across our network of sites, along with general energy reduction.

To reduce carbon emissions, the company did the following:

- Invested £11m in the renewal of our transport fleet to ensure all of our fleet is now 100% Euro 6 standard
- Switched to 100% renewable sources, by changing energy providers in the last twelve months.
- Ensure all food waste are donated or composted instead of going to landfill.
- Introduced free company bus pick up for staff living within the local area.
- Monitored and recorded Backhaul efficiency.
- Used solar panel generation at Crewe site.
- Migrated from LPG operated counterbalance trucks to lithium batteries.
- Started cycle to work scheme to reduce the number of staff commuting miles with 36 employees taking part in the scheme.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Litigation and Arbitration

Issued Date	2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
Торіс	Litigations related to motor accidents
Summary of Issue	Boughey Distribution Ltd provides distribution and warehousing services. Over the last 5 years the company has had 14 Litigation cases: 8 of them related to motor accidents involving third parties, 5 cases involving employees' injuries driving the company's trucks, and 1 case related to fatality due to motor accident.
	8 Pending cases involving both employees and third parties. Most of the personal injuries suffered by the third parties were related to transient soft tissue injuries, no fractures reported.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	The 14 closed cases represented a settlement payment of £253.249,80 (<1% of company's annual revenue).
Impact on Stakeholders	Physical injuries and psychological impact on the employees and third parties involved in the accidents.
	Loss of life experienced by the deceased person and the related loss experienced by their family.
Resolution	All the cases were settled with payment as insurance settlements before court proceedings; 8 pending cases.
Management Practices	As part of the Boughey Distribution Ltd management practices, for the incidents where the company's driver was at fault, the company conducted an internal investigation and all the involved drivers were disciplined and re-trained. The company has over 200 drivers' teams, and they profile each of them based on numerous factors and conduct risk-based and general training across all year round.
	The company has policies and procedures to provide assistance to its drivers in the case of motor accidents. In the event a driver sustains personal injury, the company applies its short term/ long term sickness absence policy, and depending



on the seriousness, an employee could be offered a time off with pay to recover. In short/long-term absence, all employees must complete a return-to-work interview. Mental wellbeing support is also available to all drivers. Upon completion of a return-to-work process, all drivers involved in major/fatal incidents must be accompanied by one of the transport compliance team members to support them back on their first day. The company counts with the "DVSA earned recognition" status" (Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency). This recognition is a way for vehicle operators to prove they meet high driver and vehicle standards. Operators must be able to show that they have robust compliance systems subject to passing a three-day external audit every two years. There are currently 65,000 registered HGV operators within the UK and only 185 operators who have achieved this accreditation. Boughey Distribution Ltd is also a member of the Road Haulage Association Ltd, a not-for-profit trade association in the UK that provides support to businesses in the road transport industry. As a part of the B Corp Certification standards, the company will be required to maintain their DVSA status. Report DVSA earned recognition status



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: On-site Fatality

Issued Date	Incident 1: 10.29.2021 Incident 2: 3.12.2020
Topic	On-site fatalities due to motor accident
Summary of Issue	Boughey Distribution Ltd provides distribution and warehousing services. The company has been involved in two accidents of a motor transport nature.
	Incident 1: Accident incurred near Peterborough, where a member of the public jumped in front of the company's vehicle on a public highway. (Driver and company were cleared of any liability and did not result in litigation)
	Incident 2: Accident incurred in North Yorkshire, where a member of the public was crushed by the company's vehicle while it was maneuvering over a bridge, the member of public involved in the accident was unsighted in the mirrors. (this case was settled with a payment)
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	2 fatalities. In addition, fatalities and accidents have emotional, mental and financial implications to family members, friends and colleagues of the people involved in the occurrence.
Impact on Stakeholders	Pedestrian fatalities
Implemented Management Practices	The policy changed to not allow drivers use their own navigation, drivers must follow HGV navigation built into the truck. The driver involved in the accident has since left the business.
	The company look for the latest safety technology to offer driver alerts and correct road selection via built-in manufacturers satellite navigation when buying new vehicles. It is an ongoing process to identify and mitigate risk of the fleet out on the road that is constantly under review.
Resolution	Cases were closed, the company was not fined nor did the family take legal action.



Report	None
Management Comments	The company has a dedicated driver team that works with all 200+ of our driver's day to day covering over 11.8 million miles annually in the fleet. The company conducts a risk profile on each driver based on numerous factors and conducts risk based and general training across the driver pool all year round, delivering both internal and external theory and practical training courses to the drivers.
Related Incidents (Yes/No)	None



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Others - Clients in Controversial Industries

Boughey Distribution Ltd is currently involved or has had involvement within the last five years in providing services and/or products to companies in the following industries considered controversial by B Lab Global: Bottled Water, Breastmilk substitutes, Alcohol Industry.

While products and services to clients in controversial industries could help mitigate potential negative impacts or serve only as commonplace goods and services for the companies, they also could have the potential to enable the growth of the industry and indirectly contribute to its negative impacts. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such industries.

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