

Polar Field Services

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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.

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 $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Alcohol** \square **Disclosure Firearms Weapons** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Mining** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Pornography** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Tobacco** $\boxed{}$ **Energy and Emissions Intensive** $\boxed{}$ Industries Fossil fuels \square Gambling **Genetically Modified Organisms** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ Illegal Products or Subject to $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **Phase Out** Industries at Risk of Human \square **Rights Violations Monoculture Agriculture** \square **Nuclear Power or Hazardous** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **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		N.	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		∑	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		N.	
Consumer Protection		V	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		\supset	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		\searrow	
Labor Issues		V	
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		K	
Litigation or Arbitration			
On-Site Fatality		V	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		N	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		\supset	
Recalls		V	
Significant Layoffs	V		
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		N	
Other		\checkmark	



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		V
Company workers are prisoners		\checkmark
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		
Confirmation of Right to Work		V
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		N
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		K
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		N
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		K
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		V
No signed employment contracts for all workers		V
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory	V	
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		K

	Yes	No
Sale of Data		\vee
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		V
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		V
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		N
Workers paid below minimum wage		N
Workers Under Bond		V
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		\checkmark
Child or Forced Labor		\checkmark
Negative Environmental Impact		\checkmark
Negative Social Impact		\checkmark
Other		\checkmark



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Compulsory Overtime

Issue Date	Ongoing
Topic	Hourly workers required to work overtime due to seasonal demand.
Summary of Issue	Due to the seasonal nature of Polar Field Services expeditions, their seasonal and full-time employees may be required to work 54 hours/week (9 hrs/day for 6 days/week). Most deployments average a duration of 3 months during which overtime is paid (1.5x normal pay) for anyone in their Alaska expedition, which aligns with the state's labor laws. Overtime pay is not required for their Greenland expedition which is in line with local laws, however the salary for those employees account for a similar overtime pay.
	Employees are notified of the overtime work requirement in their employee contract given upon hiring. Refusal to work overtime could potentially result in disciplinary actions, however exceptions are made for refusal due to illness or injury, including mental health issues.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	In the previous fiscal year (FY23), 94 employees were subject to required overtime hours at some point during the year, which represents 100% of the total employee base. Contract durations differ, but in general the work is completed over the summer season (March - September) representing approximately 30 weeks total where this work was completed.
Impact on Stakeholders	Employees that work compulsory overtime can experience increased stress and are at a higher risk of fatigue related injuries.
Implemented Management Practices	In order to prevent injury related to overworking, Polar Field Services has an injury tracking software that documents hours worked as well as environmental conditions during those hours which updates the company's Fatigue Management Plan. In any case where the employee is feeling fatigued, employees are encouraged to stop working and will not face any retribution as a result.



Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Significant Layoffs of >20% of workforce

Polar Field Services experienced significant layoffs of more than 20% of the workforce within the last five years. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent when such practices have occurred.

If you or someone you know is aware of any specific practices of this company related to their layoffs that were inappropriate and may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, please contact us via our <u>public complaints procedure</u>.