

# **Danone France**

Disclosure Report

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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
- 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:

- Intentional misrepresentation of practices, policies, and/or claimed outcomes during the company's certification process
- 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 in the last certification in 2024. It was updated as a result of the risk review process and background check conducted as part of the Danone Group certification in 2025



## **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** Chemicals $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Alcohol 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		V	
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)		N	
Labor Issues		V	
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		N.	
Litigation or Arbitration	V		
On-Site Fatality		$\searrow$	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		V	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		N	
Recalls			
Significant Layoffs		V	
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		N	
Other		$\triangleright$	



### **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		
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		V
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		V
Company workers are prisoners		$\searrow$
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		K
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		\
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		N.
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		V
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		V
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		V
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		$\searrow$
Workers paid below minimum wage		N
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		$\checkmark$
Child or Forced Labor		$\checkmark$
Negative Environmental Impact		$\checkmark$
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		$\checkmark$



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Litigation or arbitration against the company, either ongoing, settled, or found against the company

Issue Date	September 2024
Topic	Collective litigation from the French Trade Union FGTA-FO (Force Ouvrière) against the Danone France 'Gestion des Emplois et des Parcours Professionnels' Agreement (management of career and job paths) (applicable to the entities of Danone in France).
Summary of Issue	The French Trade Union "Force Ouvrière" (FO) has summoned 10 Danone France entities to Court in order to cancel the Employment and Career Management Agreement "Gestion des Emplois et des Parcours Professionnels" (GEPP) on the basis of the following accusations:  1. Miscalculation of the Union's representation 2. Misidentification of a Redundancy Plan (so-called "Plan de Sauvegarde de l'Emploi") in France 3. Based on the second point, the unlawfulness of the Agreement's re-examination clause
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	There are around 150 employees concerned by the GEPP agreement measures and, most particularly, the employees whose jobs have been mapped as critical in the framework of the human resources transformation projects aimed at centralizing shared services and functions to enhance operational efficiency and support employee career growth.  • There is no projected payout as unions never communicate any financial claims.
Impact on Stakeholders	If the accusations are rejected by the court, the GEPP measures will continue to be applicable. If the court retains that the GEPP agreement is illegal, thus cancelling it, the measures planned in the GEPP agreement will no longer be applicable and employees who wish to return to the company or resume their original roles after internal mobility will be allowed to do so, provided they reimburse amounts unduly received.



Resolution	The case is still pending.
Management Practices	This is an isolated case resulting from contextual transformation and reorganization of human resources initiatives. Danone claimed that it is committed to establishing a constructive dialogue with the union's freely chosen representatives and bargaining in good faith with such representatives (see <a href="Danone's Human Rights Policy">Danone's Human Rights Policy</a> )
Report	Accord pour la Gestion des Emplois et des Parcours Professionnels - Légifrance  Labor Code (Code du travail)  Code du travail: Sous-section 4 : Gestion des emplois et des parcours.  Code du travail: Section 3 : Actions en justice
Management Comments	"Danone rejected the allegations, arguing that the elections were organized within the framework of a pre-electoral agreement protocol, notably signed by FGTA-FO, which therefore ratified the election date. Moreover, according to the Labor Code, review clauses do not allow for the nullity of the collective agreement, and the agreement was adopted by representative trade unions having obtained at least 50% of the votes in the first round of the last professional elections."  "This issue is an isolated case. The GEPP agreement and proposed measures have been reviewed and validated by our legal counsel all along the negotiations. We are confident that the accusations will be rejected by the Court. If not, we will engage in a new negotiation on the GEPP topic in order to find a new collective agreement. Otherwise, we will have the possibility to make an unilateral decision about GEPP."
Related incident (Yes/No)	No