

# **Pujol**

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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:

- 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** 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		N	
Breaches of Confidential Information		$\supset$	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		V	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		V	
Consumer Protection		V	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		V	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		$\supset$	
<u>Labor Issues</u>	$\checkmark$		
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		Ŋ	
Litigation or Arbitration		$\vee$	
On-Site Fatality		Y	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		$\searrow$	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		$\searrow$	
Recalls		V	
Significant Layoffs		$\checkmark$	
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		V	
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		K	
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		V	
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		$\searrow$	
Company workers are prisoners		$\searrow$	
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		$\checkmark$	
Confirmation of Right to Work		V	
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		$\searrow$	
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		K	
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		N	
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		\	
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		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		✓
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		V
Child or Forced Labor		$\checkmark$
Negative Environmental Impact		V
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		<b>✓</b>



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

**Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Labour Issues** 

Issue Date	2021	
Торіс	Negative news related to labour practices	
Summary of Issue	In 2021, a number of labor related complaints against Pujol came public through social media. Among the claims made against the company, it was cited long working hours, moral harassment and a toxic work environment. The company clarified that due to COVID-19 pandemic, in 2020 and 2021 they were working under unusual circumstances, which meant less staff at the restaurant and extended working hours. Pujol also noted that they could have prepared their leadership better to deal with these stressful circumstances.	
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	Despite the public complaints shared in social media, the company has not received any fines or penalties related to labor issues in any of the inspections the company underwent by local authorities in the last 5 years.	
Impact on Stakeholders	Accusations in the media reports include potential mental health impacts and their wellbeing.	
Implemented Management Practices	Since the public complaints the company received, Pujol has changed their Head Chef and the company has implemented new mechanisms to avoid similar situations from happening again. Among the measures taken, the company highlights the following:  • Periodic evaluations of the work environment carried out by the company GPTW (October 2021, April 2022, September 2022 and October 2023); • Leadership training; • Increased number of employees to reduce workload of	
	<ul> <li>Increased number of employees to reduce workload of individuals;</li> <li>Improvement of work schedules (rest of 3 days a week);</li> <li>Remodeling resting areas for collaborators;</li> <li>Additional health benefits, including online mental health support for all collaborators.</li> </ul>	



In 2021, the company also conducted the NOM 35 (Psychosocial Risk Factor) survey to identify any employees that needed support from the company. Pujol offered preferential hours to employees that needed changes in their schedules to attend to the external professional support needed.

The company has a grievance mechanism for collaborators in case they detect irregularities in compliance with Pujol's code of ethics, or institutional values. More information about this mechanism is available in the employee handbook and is accessible by all workers. When a complaint is received, the protocol is to investigate the situation, verify the evidence and make the corresponding decisions in accordance with the reported action.

Pujol has also developed a Tips Distribution Policy and created a committee to discuss how tips should be distributed among workers. The committee is elected by the employees themselves and changes annually, the policy is reviewed and updated by the committee annually. All workers have to sign the tip policy to ensure they are all aware of annual changes and decisions being made by the committee.



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

### **Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Alcohol**

**Pujol** is involved in the production or sale of alcohol, which has risks of potential negative impact on the health and well-being of individuals and their communities. Based on the size of the company, these impacts may be limited. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such industries.

Any party aware of specific company practices related to their marketing or other topics that could contribute to the negative impacts of alcohol, and which may constitute a violation of the B Corp standards, may contact us via our <u>public complaints procedure</u>.