

Eu Design/Fenili Group Spa Società Benefit

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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 Chemicals** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **Disclosure Alcohol 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 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 \square **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		\checkmark	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		\checkmark	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		\checkmark	
Consumer Protection		V	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		N	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		N	
Labor Issues			
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		N	
Recalls			
Significant Layoffs		V	
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		V	
Other			



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		\checkmark
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		\vee
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		V
Company workers are prisoners		\checkmark
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		\checkmark
Confirmation of Right to Work		\checkmark
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		\searrow
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		V
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		V
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		✓
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		V
No signed employment contracts for all workers		
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		

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



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations

Topic	Precious metals/Raw Material Supply Chain
Summary of Issue	Eu Design/Fenili Group Spa Società Benefit, headquartered in Mozzo, Bergamo, Italy, operates on a global scale, with offices in Hong Kong, the USA, Germany, France, and India. The company specializes in the manufacturing of garment accessories, including buttons made from natural materials, buckles, rivets, and fashion trims, catering to both the apparel and home textile industries. One of the company's divisions, Plating Gold Srl, focuses on
	electroplating services that utilize precious metals such as gold, silver, palladium, ruthenium, and platinum.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	Plating Gold Srl's precious metals sourcing represents 78.5% of its non-labor expenses.
Impact on Stakeholders	High risk supply chains such as the precious metals industry have a risk of forced and child labor, which subjects workers to poor working conditions, low wages, and puts children at risk for human trafficking.
Implemented Management Practices	Plating Gold Srl prioritizes ethical and responsible sourcing practices by collaborating exclusively with suppliers who adhere to the legal frameworks of their respective countries. This includes compliance with regulations related to environmental protection, occupational health and safety, labor rights, human rights, wages, and working hours.
	To maintain a supply chain free from forced labor and human rights violations, all suppliers must commit to the company's Code of Conduct. This Code is upheld through regular monitoring of its procurement processes, ensuring respect for human rights and compliance with environmental standards throughout the production process.



As part of the company's corporate policy, Plating Gold Srl sources exclusively from certified suppliers who maintain current and valid documentation. The utilized precious materials are frequently transformed into products suitable for the electroplating process, necessitating that Plating Gold Srl partner with highly specialized suppliers equipped with the necessary licenses and certifications.

The Tier 1 key suppliers are primarily based in Italy and source metals through recovery methods, rather than mining. All suppliers fully comply with the requirements set forth by the Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) and adhere to the standards established by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Furthermore, the majority of suppliers have adopted the "Guidelines on the Conflict-Free Minerals Policy."

100% of the company's raw materials can be traced back through the supply chain to their original sources. Plating Gold Srl key minerals are sourced from Europe, America, Asia, the Middle East, and the Far East, with no metals originating from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) or its neighboring countries—Zambia, Angola, the Central African Republic, Sudan, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, and Tanzania—that may be classified as conflict zones.

Management Comments

In regard to Plating Gold's dedication to sustainability, we would like to emphasize the critical importance we place on ensuring that our operations reflect our commitment to ethical practices and environmental stewardship. Plating Gold is steadfast in our belief that sustainability is not merely a trend but a fundamental aspect of responsible business.

Plating Gold is actively focused on fostering sustainability by:

- Ethical Sourcing: We rigorously evaluate and select our suppliers based on their sustainability practices. This involves assessing their environmental impact, labor conditions, and overall ethical standards to ensure they align with our values.
- Transparency: We believe that transparency is essential for building trust with our clients and stakeholders. We openly share information about our supply chain processes and are committed to disclosing the origins of our materials.



- Environmental Stewardship: We invest in developing and implementing processes that minimize our ecological footprint. This includes optimizing energy usage, reducing waste, and utilizing eco-friendly materials wherever possible.
- 4. Continuous Improvement: Sustainability is an ongoing journey for us. We regularly assess our practices and seek new opportunities to enhance our sustainability efforts and set higher standards for ourselves.

Plating Gold is not just a legal entity of EU DESIGN / FENILI GROUP; it's a promise to our customers and the planet. We are dedicated to producing high-quality products while ensuring that our sourcing and manufacturing practices are responsible, ethical, and sustainable.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Chemical Intensive Industry

Eu Design/Fenili Group Spa Società Benefit is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as chemical intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment, such as pollution of air, land, and water, as well as potential human health risks to those exposed to harmful chemicals if the use and disposal of chemicals are not properly 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 <u>public complaints procedure</u>.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Energy and Emissions Intensive Industry

Eu Design/Fenili Group Spa Società Benefit is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as chemical intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment, such as pollution of air, land, and water, as well as potential human health risks to those exposed to harmful chemicals if the use and disposal of chemicals are not properly 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 <u>public complaints procedure</u>.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Water Intensive Industry

Eu Design/Fenili Group 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 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>.