

Grupo RFG

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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 \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** $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ 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** \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		N.	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		N.	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		\triangleright	
Consumer Protection		V	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		\searrow	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		\searrow	
Labor Issues		\checkmark	
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		K	
Litigation or Arbitration			
On-Site Fatality		\searrow	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		V	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		K	
Recalls		✓	
Significant Layoffs		V	
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		Y	
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	V	
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		K
Confirmation of Right to Work		N
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		N.
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		N
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		N
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		N
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		\supset
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		V
Child or Forced Labor		\checkmark
Negative Environmental Impact		V
Negative Social Impact		\checkmark
Other		✓



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Energy and Emissions Intensive industry

Grupo RFG is involved in the production/sale of products, or is part of an industry that can potentially be classified as energy and emission-intensive, meaning that they are more likely to have significant impacts on the environment based on their carbon emissions associated with their operations and their contribution to climate change. 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

Grupo RFG 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>.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Other - Clients in Controversial Industries

Topic	Clients in Controversial Industries
Summary of Issue	The Company has clients in the Water Utilities Industry. The company has been serving clients in these controversial industries by collecting recyclable material from the government water utility company that provides water to the municipality to recycle. Their services can also be sold to non-controversial industries.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	In FY2022, 2% of the company's revenue comes from the Water Utilities Industry.
Impact on Stakeholders	Companies that work with clients in controversial industries can indirectly increase the harmful impact to stakeholders by enabling business growth. Therefore, companies that work with clients in these industries should have practices in place to ensure that their impact is aimed at decreasing the negative impacts of the industry.
	B Lab has flagged the involvement of companies with clients in controversial industries as a material issue and new standards will be created to address possible risks related to this matter.
Implemented Management Practices	The company collects and recycles office paper that is discarded. The company also collects broken or discarded plastics from maintenance and offers environmental training for all their staff on how to dispose properly for recycling. The company has no position on working with clients in controversial industries. The company does not screen their clients as their service is unrelated to what the client does.



Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Company workers are prisoners

Topic	Prison Labor
Summary of Issue	Grupo RFG is a waste management company which also manufactures and sells products made from recycled materials in Cordoba, Argentina. The production of the company's products was carried out with prison labor through a contractual relationship with a public penitentiary until April 2022; a practice which is not in line with <u>B Lab's Prison Industry and Labor Controversial Issue Position Statement</u> .
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	In 2022, <1% of the company's revenue came from the sales of recycled wood baskets produced in prison. The company has declared to stop work with said supplier and is committed to no longer work with suppliers associated with prison labor.
Impact on Stakeholders	While some stakeholders have indicated that prison labor is inherently unjust or coerced, others have highlighted the potential benefits of such programs, such as the potential to assist people who are incarcerated to reintegrate into society. Among the risks and issues involved in prison labor arrangements highlighted by ILO are coercion, wages, work conditions, health and safety and post-release benefits.
Implemented Management Practices	The contract with the penitentiary expired on April 19, 2022 and since then the company's production is carried out by Grupo RFG personnel.
Other Management Comments	"The batch of manufactured products by inmates was of 15 recycled wood baskets, assembled by the carpentry unit of the prison service. Of these baskets, 3 were sold and the other 12 are for our own use in the company. The total of such sale is equivalent to much less than 1% of the company, exactly 6 months ago (\$152,890.73 ARS)."