

## **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 and B Lab deems them to be material, the company must:

- 1) Be transparent about 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 systems are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to background checks 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

Company Name: Beneficial State Bank Date Submitted: 06/22/2021

Industries & Products	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company is involved in pro	oduction of or tra	ade in any the
following. Select Yes for all options that apply.  Animal Products or Services		1 1
Biodiversity Impacts		\ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
Chemicals		1
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		1
Disclosure Alcohol		N N
Disclosure Firearms Weapons		<u> </u>
Disclosure Mining		<u> </u>
Disclosure Pornography		V V
Disclosure Tobacco		<del> </del>
Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries		)
Fossil fuels		<del> </del>
Gambling		J J
Genetically Modified Organisms		J J
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out		J J
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations		i j
Monoculture Agriculture	į	J J
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials		V
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending		Ž
Water Intensive Industries		, ,
Tax Advisory Services		\ \
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Supply Chain Disclosures	Yes	No

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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		V	,
Negative Environmental Impact		V	
Negative Social Impact		V	
Other		ν	

Outcomes & Penalties	True	False	
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		√	
Breaches of Confidential Information		√	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		√	
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		√	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		V	
Consumer Protection		√	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		V	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		V	
Labor Issues		V	
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		V	
Litigation or Arbitration		V	
On-Site Fatality		√	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		<b>V</b>	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		√	
Recalls		√	
Significant Layoffs	<b>V</b>		
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		√	
Other		<b>V</b>	

Practices	True	False
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		$\sqrt{}$
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		√,
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		V
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		V
Company workers are prisoners		V
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		
Confirmation of Right to Work		V
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		V
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		$\sqrt{}$
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		√
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		V
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		V
No signed employment contracts for all workers		V
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		<b>V</b>
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		V
Sale of Data		$\sqrt{}$
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		V
Workers Under Bond		V
Other		V



## **B Corp Certification - Disclosure Questionnaire Documentation**

PROVIDED BY: Beneficial State Bank UPDATED AS OF: 06/22/2021

DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGORY	Significant layoffs of >20% of workforce
ISSUE DATE	Sept-Dec 2020
TOPIC	Significant layoffs due to COVID-19
SUMMARY OF ISSUE	The bank was forced to conduct a significant reduction in force in 2020, affecting 36 staff. Impacted individuals represented all facets of the organization including executive management. The Bank made this difficult decision to reduce staff as part of a restructure that would allow the bank to continue to focus on segments of the market where it has a unique value proposition, including low-to-moderate income communities and projects focused on people and the planet. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and general economic downturn, the bank was forced to take action immediately.
SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	36 employees were laid off, representing ~20% of the company's employees at that time.
IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDERS	Primary impact was loss of employment for affected employees.
IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES	The company provided benefits and resources to affected employees. The bank management and the Board of Directors worked together to develop a severance program that provided impacted staff with 6 months of paid COBRA coverage, a one-time COVID-related award of \$12,000, severance pay based on individual employee tenure, and payment for all earned and unused vacation time. To provide flexibility, employees were given the option to select a lump-sum payout, bi-weekly or monthly installment payments for the COVID-related award.
RELATED INCIDENTS (YES/NO)	No other significant layoffs in last 5 years.