

# **Oakland International Ltd**

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
- 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 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** $\boxed{}$ **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			
Company has filed for bankruptcy		V	
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		K	
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		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		<b>₩</b>
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		✓
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		$\checkmark$
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		$\vee$
Workers paid below minimum wage		V
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		$\vee$
Negative Environmental Impact		$\vee$
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		$\checkmark$



# **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

## **Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Environmentally Intensive Industries**

Topic	Energy and emissions intensive industry
Summary of Issue	As a storage and transportation company, Oakland International operates in an industry in which energy and carbon emissions are a material environmental issue.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	82% of the company's revenue comes from storage services and 18% from distribution services. The main contributions of Oakland International's Business Model are associated with the emission of greenhouse gasses in its scope 3, which represents more than 50% of the total inventory. The company's assessed GHG emissions for 2021 were:
	Scope 1: 7,565 tonnes of CO2 Scope 2: 969 tonnes of CO2 Scope 3: 11,290 tonnes of CO2
Impact on Stakeholders	Energy and emissions intensive industries contribute to air pollution and climate change. B Lab recognised the haulage and refrigerated storage industries as an energy intensive that will require the creation of additional risk standards through a standards development process.
Implemented Management Practices	Oakland International measures its carbon footprint and its energy efficiency to be able to monitor its environmental impact.  Their warehouses are all on grid electricity, supplemented by solar panels on some of the buildings. Their trucks are currently on diesel but their refrigerated trailers have been switched to electric. Among some initiatives taken by the company to reduce emissions and energy usage are: use of solar panels, voltage optimisation technology, fast action doors, more efficient refrigeration, and electrifying refrigeration trailers.  Oakland International does not intend on buying carbon credits in the near future, their focus is on reducing their own emissions. As per SBTi standards, they are aiming for an at least 90% reduction in emissions, with the unavoidable residual being neutralized with carbon removals.



In order to mitigate its negative environmental impacts, Oakland International has set the following (under review) Science Based Targets (SBTi):

- (i) Net zero by 2040
- (ii) 42% reduction in scope 1, 2, and 3 by 2030
- (iii) 100% renewable energy by 2030



# **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

## **Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Litigation and Arbitration**

Issue Date	2018-2022
Topic	Litigation case in which Oakland International is involved
Summary of Issue	Oakland International was charged with failing to ensure the health and safety of employees in respect of handling and transportation of a conveyor belt where an employee was injured. The employee was moving a conveyor belt to load it onto a vehicle when it collapsed and injured the employee.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	Oakland International was fined 300,000 pounds which represented 0.54% of revenue.
Impact on Stakeholders	The injured employee suffered head and neck injuries and needed hospital treatment for eight days.
Resolution	Oakland was fined for the safety failings.
Implemented Management Practices	The company has implemented the following practices to avoid similar cases in the future: Conduct a written and full risk assessment before moving a conveyor system. In addition, Oakland will seek the guidance from the manufacturer in advance of the move or outsource the movement of the conveyor to the manufacturer of the system in its entirety.  Oakland now has an onsite full-time position for Group Health and Safety Manager to help mitigate health and safety risks going forward.
Related Incidents (Yes/No)	No.