



# VitaFoods

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:

- 1) 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 or trade in any of the following. Select Yes for all options that apply.		
Animal Products or Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<a href="#">Biodiversity Impacts</a>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chemicals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Alcohol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Firearms Weapons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Mining	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Pornography	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Disclosure Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<a href="#">Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries</a>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fossil fuels Gambling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Genetically Modified Organisms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Monoculture Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<a href="#">Water Intensive Industries</a>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax Advisory Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Breaches of Confidential Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Company has filed for bankruptcy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consumer Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Labor Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Litigation or Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
On-Site Fatality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Political Contributions or International Affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Recalls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Significant Layoffs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



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

	Yes	No
Sale of Data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers paid below minimum wage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Workers Under Bond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Child or Forced Labor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Negative Environmental Impact	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Negative Social Impact	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



# Disclosure Questionnaire Statement

## Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Environmentally Intensive Industries

<b>Topic</b>	Biodiversity Impact
<b>Summary of Issue</b>	As an agricultural company, VitaFoods operates in an industry in which biodiversity impact is a material environmental issue.
<b>Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)</b>	Approximately 100% of VitaFoods's supplier expenses come directly from farms.
<b>Impact on Stakeholders</b>	Agriculture poses a risk to local ecosystems of flora and fauna as well as the potential degradation of cultivated land.
<b>Management Practices</b>	VitaFoods shared that field evaluation is carried out (soil study, soil analysis, water right, water analysis, perimeter verification), in technical programs prioritizing applications of organic products. All company's suppliers use crop rotation and VitaFoods has the objective to have farmers with organic management, where they move towards organic certification.
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<b>Topic</b>	Water Intensive Industries
<b>Summary of Issue</b>	As an agricultural company, VitaFoods operates in an industry that is water intensive, which includes berries washing process, blanching of asparagus with water, cleaning of process equipment and washing of harvesting trays.
<b>Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)</b>	100% of VitaFoods revenue comes from products with water intensive processes.
<b>Impact on Stakeholders</b>	As a water intensive industry, agriculture poses risks such as water stress or depletion of local water sources if water use is not appropriately managed.
<b>Management Practices</b>	<p>VitaFoods has the goal to reduce the annual water resource consumption indicator by 5%, with respect to processed raw materials. Telemetry improvements have been implemented in outtheir plants to update consumption, reuse of water for irrigation of forests in two plants, purchase of efficient equipment in order to reduce the amount of water used for cleaning such as pressure washers, guns, etc. The company also implements the following best practices: the reuse of water within the production processes, dry cleaning where possible, consideration of equipment with reduction or elimination of water as an input (scalding with direct steam).</p> <p>The company has deep wells and has not seen a decrease in the watershed that is shared with the nearby community. The company is in continuous contact with the community.</p>
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<b>Topic</b>	Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries
<b>Summary of Issue</b>	As an agricultural company, VitaFoods operates in an industry in which energy and carbon emissions is a material environmental issue considering the companies processes and equipments used, which includes large volume freezing processes in limited times (berry season) and refrigerated storage chambers at -18°C throughout the year, and the blanching processes for asparagus with a Natural gas boiler.
<b>Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)</b>	100% of VitaFoods revenue comes from products with energy and emission intensive processes.
<b>Impact on Stakeholders</b>	Processing and exporting frozen fruits is a major contributor to global carbon emissions.
<b>Management Practices</b>	<p>VitaFoods has implemented telemetry systems to control consumption of energy. The company has also set an Environmental Management System to define objectives, in addition to quantifying their consumption on a monthly basis and emissions on an annual basis, and does energy efficiency and technological replacement projects in refrigeration systems, boilers, scalders, and equipment in general. The company has a target of 5% annual decrease in all of its plants in terms of energy use.</p> <p>VitaFoods carries an annual sustainability report, which highlights indicators that are comparable to companies in the similar sector. The company reviews the data generated by Chilealimentos (Association of Food Companies of Chile) to compare the company's performance with similar companies in the country.</p> <p>Vitafoods has an energy management and sustainability policy, in addition to the management plan for each plant. The company also has systems for measuring consumption and annual reporting with indicators, which from this data are used to make process improvement plans, mainly in the area of refrigeration.</p> <p>VitaFoods manages energy and carbon emission through the following practices;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>-Efficient and automatic operational Set Points (Freezing Point, Chamber Temperature and Blanching Temperature)</li><li>-Production management indicators with respect to energy consumption.</li><li>-Frequency inverters in refrigeration compressors.</li><li>-Consolidation of loads for maritime transport as efficiently as possible.</li><li>-Control of the movement of corporate vehicles.</li><li>-Frequency inverters in refrigeration compressors.</li><li>-Usage of renewable energy (iRECs, run-of-river technology).</li></ul> <p>VitaFoods manages the practices through internal procedures and policies, which includes monitoring daily processes and tracking of the indicators. These processes are overseen by the sustainability committee, the energy and water management department, the Operations Management and the plant managers.</p>



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