Miquill Catering Services Ltd

Annual Modern Slavery Statement 2024

Miquill Catering Services Ltd. is dedicated to upholding the Modern Slavery Act 2015, as demonstrated by their annual statement for the financial year ending in September 2023. They firmly believe that modern slavery is a severe violation of human rights and are committed to continuous improvement in combating it.

The company's supply chains are designed to support diversity and inclusion, ensuring high-quality food services for their clients. They have implemented an E-Procurement system through their outsourced Procurement provider, Added Value Enterprises Ltd (AVE), which assigns commodity codes to suppliers. This system helps identify suppliers dealing with commodities at higher risk of involving Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking.

Miquill Catering Services Ltd. has a Tendering Policy that details the processes required for the supply chain and includes a Responsible Procurement statement covering Social, Ethical, Economic, and Environmental factors. The procurement team at AVE has also undergone e-learning on Modern Slavery and Human Rights protection in the supply chain.

The company recognises the high-risk nature of some commodities they purchase, such as workwear and disposables. To ensure transparency and ethical sourcing, they work with suppliers engaged with SEDEX and promote a sustainable food culture that supports local, sustainable, and Fairtrade suppliers.

Miquill Catering Services Ltd. actively engages with its purchasing consortium, Added Value Enterprises, to support ethical sourcing and incorporates checks against slavery and human trafficking in its procurement activities. Their terms and conditions for tendering and contracting include considerations for Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking risks.

The company raises awareness about Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking among its staff through its internal intranet pages, promoting the UK Modern Slavery & Exploitation Helpline. They are committed to identifying and addressing risks within their supply chains through ongoing engagement with suppliers, Procurement Consortia, and wider professional networks.

Future plans include continuous review of their supply chains, collaborative supply chain mapping with AVE, and a midpoint review of their Procurement Strategy. They are also exploring the integration of responsibilities under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 into their ISO14001 (2015) Environmental Management System accreditation.

Miquill Catering Services Ltd. provides the Speak Up platform for anonymous reporting of any abuse, harm, or hate, and is considering its use for reporting modern slavery or human trafficking concerns, in addition to the existing UK modern slavery & exploitation helpline.

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