

## Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement

### Introduction

Our statement sets out that Premier Fruits (Covent Garden) Ltd is aware of potential modern slavery risks related to its business and put place steps that are aimed at ensuring our business is free from slavery and human trafficking.

#### **Business Structure**

We are a Fresh Produce Wholesaler/Importer, supplying Retail, Food Service and Industrial. The company has a turnover in excess of £36m.

## **Our Supply Chain**

Our supply chain includes the provision of fresh produce and packaging materials.

# **Our Policy**

We are committed to ensuring that there is no modern slavery or human trafficking in our supply chains or in any part of our business.

# **Due Diligence Processes**

As part of our initiative to identify and mitigate risk-

Where possible we build long standing relationships with suppliers and make clear our expectations of business behaviour.

With regards to National or International supply chains we ask these entities to sign an agreement with us confirming that they have suitable anti-slavery and human trafficking policies and processes in place and comply with the Modern Slavery act. We expect each entity in the supply chain to at least adopt a one —up due diligence on the next link in the chain as it is not practical for us (and every other participant in the chain) to have a direct relationship with all links in the supply chain.

We have in place systems to encourage the reporting of concerns and the protection of whistle blowers.

# **Training**

To ensure a high level of the understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our supply chains and our business, we ensure the relevant members of staff are aware of, understand and agree to our policy on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking.

All Directors have been briefed on the subject.

## Supplier Adherence

We have zero tolerance to slavery and human trafficking. We expect all those in our supply chain and contractors to comply with our values.

The Directors are responsible for compliance in their respective department and for their supplier relationships.

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes our company's slavery and human trafficking statement for the current financial

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**Managing Director** 

Premier Fruit (Covent Garden) Ltd