

AFFIDAVIT
IN TERMS OF SECTION 55 OF
THE PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT 2 of 2000 (“PAIA”)

I, the undersigned, [REDACTED] an adult male with identity number, [REDACTED] employed at Bidvest Catering Services Pty Ltd (“hereinafter referred to as the Company”) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] do hereby state as follows under oath:

I am the Chief Executive Officer of the Company and have been with the Company since 2011. I am also the registered Information Officer for the Company. The Company is wholly owned by The Bidvest Group Limited.

A request for access to records in terms of the Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000 was received from Animal Law Reform South Africa (“ALRSA”) on 21 November 2022 (the “Request”).

The Request was approved and to the extent that the requested records were found to exist and be in the possession of the Company, they were emailed to ALRSA on 20 January 2023.

In the search for the information and records relating to the Request, I was at all times assisted by Marne Eloff, ourselves being the relevant persons in the business who would have specific knowledge as to the existence of the records and the relevant access to the information requested. All reasonable steps to locate the requested records were undertaken and the requested Records that were found to exist were set out and annexed per Annexure B of the aforesaid response to ALRSA. Records requested by ALRSA and not provided, do not exist and this reasonable belief is based on my working knowledge and role in the business and its operations.

At the time of the Request, the information requested relating specifically to clause 6.5 of the Request, namely relating to egg production supply chain detail, was not information routinely collected by the Company and naturally therefore not in the Company’s possession and thus not in existence within the Company records. In the circumstances naturally it was/is not possible to provide access to this specific information.

Subsequent to receipt of the Request, and the Company’s Environmental Policy commitment, we duly enquired from our supply chain the information sought in terms of 6.5 of the Request.

Only the following responses from egg suppliers have been received to date:

- Barne Eggs; the information received was provided to ALRSA.
- Sapuma Eggs responded on 21 February 2023; communicating that they take the same position as SAPA on the Request; they attached SAPA’s letter in support of their stance on the matter.

The information as provided herein and which was submitted to ALRSA on 20 January 2023 is the only requested information that after reasonable inquiry and search could be found to exist in the possession of the Company.

The facts contained herein are within my own personal knowledge and are to the best of my belief both true and correct unless specifically otherwise indicated.

DATED AT JOHANNESBURG ON THIS 14 DAY OF MARCH 2023.



SIGNED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME AT JOHANNESBURG ON THIS 14 DAY OF MARCH 2023, THE DEPONENT HAVING ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE DEPONENT KNOWS AND UNDERSTANDS THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT, THAT THE DEPONENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO TAKING THE OATH AND THAT THE DEPONENT CONSIDERS THE OATH AS BINDING ON THE DEPONENT'S CONSCIENCE

