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SDOLR (Sime Darby Oils Liverpool Refinery Ltd) confirm that a vulnerability assessment has been conducted on all raw materials used in producing bulk and packed vegetable oils, fats, blends and margarines to assess the potential risk for food fraud, such as substitution or adulteration.

Our assessment has been conducted in line with the requirements of the BRC Global Standard for Food Safety, version 8 (clauses 5.4.1, 5.4.2 and 5.4.3) and is based on: Historic Incidents, Economic Factors, Geographic Origin, Length and Complexity of the Supply Chain, Storage & Distribution, the Physical Form / Nature of the Raw Material, Emerging Concerns and Availability of and access to the Raw Material.

The 2020 review also considered proactive considerations regarding mineral Oil hydrocarbons (MOH) in addition to the current global pandemic COVID-19 with respect to potential risk to SDOLRS supply chain. Formally announced as COVID-19 on 11 February 2020 by World Health Organization (WHO), a new strain of human Corona Virus which is easily transmitted and can lead to fatality initiated global disruption. A new global threat, disruption caused by COVID-19 is considered as potential risk to impact international food integrity, thus was included as part of the vulnerability assessment.

For all raw materials, we have a specified incoming control procedure and our supplier evaluation is based on questionnaires, 3rd party certifications, audits, knowledge and experience.

We stay informed of emerging concerns through membership of trade associations, updates from the Food Standards Agency and ongoing subscriptions to independent sources, continually monitored by our Technical / Quality / Food Safety Team.

We can confirm that at this time, none of our raw materials have been identified as being at a particular risk of adulteration or substitution.

Our vulnerability assessment will be reviewed regularly to reflect any changes which may alter the potential risk. This assessment will be formally reviewed at least annually and reported at Management review meetings. In regard to COVID 19, SDOLR will continue to monitor information and follow the UK government guidelines.

We trust to have informed you sufficiently.

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