

# Modern Slavery Statement

For the Full Year 2023

UCC Coffee - 21 June 2024

## Modern Slavery Statement UCC Coffee Australia Limited & Toby's Estate Coffee Pty Limited

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I am pleased to publish our fourth Modern Slavery Statement (MSS) (under the Modern Slavery Act 2018 (Cth) Act) (Act), for UCC Coffee Australia Limited (UCC Coffee) and Toby's Estate Coffee Pty Limited (Toby's Estate).

The following outlines the steps we have taken to identify and mitigate modern slavery risks in our business, operations and supply chains in the period since our last statement. We continue to make solid advancements towards strengthening our processes and controls regarding modern slavery risk mitigation.

We have implemented all planned improvements in controls and are pleased to maintain green coffee bean certified levels at 96% of purchases (as at end May 2024) despite increasing volumes and a challenging procurement landscape. We continue to challenge ourselves to increase certification levels and continue to work actively with employees, suppliers and coffee farmers to build awareness and reduce the risk of modern slavery across our supply chain and wider business.

We make this statement in accordance with section 13 of the Act. This Modern Slavery Statement (MSS) was considered and approved by resolution of the Governing Board for UCC Coffee and Toby's Estate on the 21 June 2024 for the 12-month prior period.

Dean Divehall, Chairman

#### **Our Commitment**

UCC Coffee respects the basic and fundamental human rights of all individuals and does not condone any form of modern slavery, human trafficking, or exploitation within its business or supply chains. We are committed to those rights as set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. We recognize that modern slavery is a global issue, and that businesses can be inadvertently implicated within their business structures and supply chains. Through internal governance and review, we strive to continue learning and building rigor into our business policies and practices and to help ensure our employees, suppliers, and business partners understand our commitment. This commitment is expressed through a variety of policies, controls, and practices which are produced and implemented throughout the businesses.

## 1. Our Organisation and Supply Chains

#### **Our Organisation**

UCC Coffee is a leading fresh coffee business operating across retail, hospitality and foodservice markets, with operations in Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. UCC Coffee is headquartered in Sydney Australia. UCC Coffee is the reporting entity on behalf of UCC Coffee and Toby's Estate for the purpose of this MSS.

This report covers both UCC Coffee and its subsidiary Toby's Estate, and their roasting operations in Melbourne and Sydney respectively. Both businesses are actively involved in the roasting and sale of fresh coffee, employing approximately 480 people across ANZ. Incorporation for both entities is in the state of New South Wales.

UCC Coffee is a subsidiary of UCC Holdings Pte Ltd. Singapore. (UCC Holdings) The UCC parent company operates a global coffee business which provides the ANZ entities significant access to global procurement standards and modern slavery control best practices.

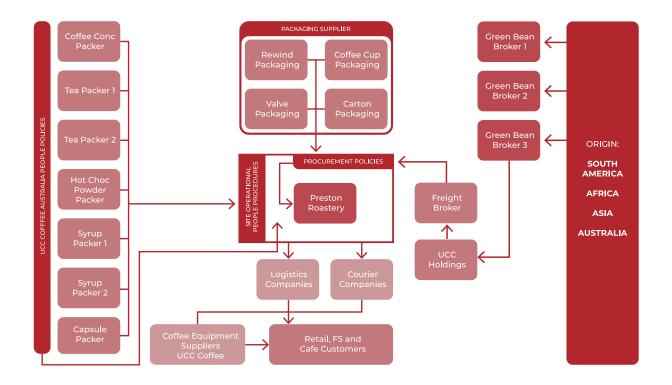
#### **Our Supply Chains**

We operate in the coffee industry procuring and roasting coffee beans for key accounts and café customers in both the food service and retail sectors. To support our coffee customers, we also sell and service coffee equipment. We operate across roasteries and warehouses in Victoria and New South Wales along with secondary warehouse facilities in Queensland, and Perth.

Our operations include green coffee bean procurement, coffee roasting, packaging and branding, and supply chain logistics through to our customers supply chains. Our operations also include several contract packers used to offer a full portfolio of products to complement our roasted coffee proposition. In addition, we import, sell and service coffee machine equipment from Europe.

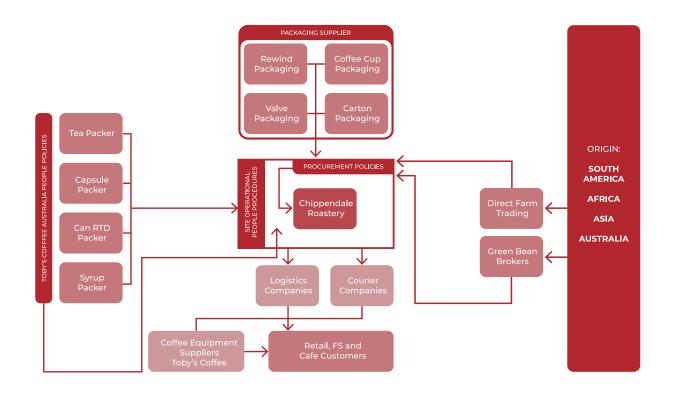
Our supply chain and procurement activities fall mainly into the following areas:

- Sourcing raw green coffee beans from approximately 15 producing origins across Central and South America, Asia, Africa through a central procurement function that aligns with global UCC procurement.
- Purchasing of packing materials, and other factory-related ingredients, goods and services (including utilities) essential to the manufacturing and distribution of our product range.
- Procuring, distribution and servicing professional coffee machines and beverage equipment including the associated spare part and ancillary products such as machine cleaning products.



# Company Structure and Supply Chain Overview - UCC

## Company Structure and Supply Chain Overview - Toby's Estate



## 2. Risks & Mitigation

#### **Key Risks Identified**

We conduct annual and ongoing assessments of modern slavery risks across our supply chain and operations.

The current annual review has identified two key risks across our supply chains and Australian operations as follows:

- The procurement of green beans from offshore farms.
- The use of third-party labour hire staff used in our facilities.

Throughout 2023 the following actions were taken to address these risks:

#### **Supply Chain Mitigation**

- 1. We have maintained our certified blends at 96% since the last reporting period. Certification of green beans provides assurance against global reporting standards under Fair Trade, Trade Aid or Rainforest Alliance organizations and all certification bodies include key elements of modern slavery assessments as part of their audit process. We were re-certified to the latest Rainforest Alliance standard in our Preston Roastery and our UCC Holdings office was certified to the same standard. Whilst there has not been a net increase in the levels of certified coffee, in the context of increased volume and the challenges in sourcing certified coffee, we are pleased to maintain this level. We now have all our major customers using certified coffee and are targeting the independent café sector to close the remaining 4%.
- 2. During the past reporting year, we completed the migration of our green bean procurement process to UCC Holdings. This provides the benefit of being part of the comprehensive supplier assessment and audit processes for green beans specific to the coffee industry. UCC Holdings conducts annual Corporate Social Responsibility supplier assessments across all green bean suppliers ranking suppliers against the following:
  - i. Human Rights
  - ii. Labour
  - iii. Environmental
  - iv. Anti-corruption

UCC Holdings also issue coffee specific expectations directed towards green bean suppliers as minimal expectations:

- i. Responsible Procurement Principle
- ii. Supplier Code of Conduct

- 3. At Toby's Estate we introduced a small trial to move some small volume away from direct farm procurement to a broker model. We risk assessed the brokers' own ethical programs to ensure they met with our high standards. NB: the bulk of our green purchases are still farm direct model with associated direct controls and reviews.
- 4. If we identify any instances of modern slavery in our supply chains, our approach will be to work collaboratively with our suppliers and business partners, to remediate and resolve the issue. A failure to remediate or demonstrate sufficient improvement will lead to disengagement of the business relationship.

#### **Direct & Indirect Personnel Migitation:**

- 1. In 2023 we implemented LiveHire, a recruitment platform that seamlessly and transparently ensures fairness across the total recruitment process, enabling:
  - a. Formal/documented cloud-based system.
  - b. Automatic worker eligibility filters.
  - c. Trending for Diversity KPIs.
  - d. Unbiased screening for gender, experience & background.
- 2. We continue to apply contract expectations to all third party labour providers ensuring:
  - a. Compliance for the right to work in Australia.
  - b. Prescreening and assessments to be formalized.
  - c. Meeting minimum labour award rates.
  - d. Specific clause relating to the Modern Slavery Act.
- 3. In 2023 we published a Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) statement and established a DEI working group. This cross functional group is charged with challenging the business to continuously drive improvements across a number of evolving workplace accountability areas.
- 4. A policy review was again conducted and the Code of Business Conduct, Code of Business Ethics & Disciplinary policy were reviewed and updated and issued to all staff with formal acknowledgement. Published policies also include whistleblower, privacy, disciplinary and respect at work guidelines and standards.
- 5. We developed a Modern Slavery Reporting planning process to ensure consistency of approach year to year and to improve internal visibility to all staff to ensure risk identification and mitigation is everyone's responsibility. A robust routine ensuring that the Steering Committee can adequately review risks and develop mitigation plans is an important and wholistic part of the evolution of our ethical principles and practices.

## 3. Assesing the Effectiveness

Our main measure of effectiveness based on our risk assessment is in the percentage of certified green beans that are purchased; however, we consider other areas as described below as key performance indicators:

The table below provides an overview of our key measures of effectiveness:

2023 continuous improvement goals	Progress Status	Progress Summary
Maintain or increase the proportion of coffee sourced from certified schemes, in association with customer and own brand needs	Achieved	During 2023 continued stewardship of certified bean programs & benefits with key customers maintained all certifications. This has resulted in our sourcing of certified being maintained at 96%
Continue to strengthen controls relating to management of 3rd party labour hire organizations	Achieved	We added a new labour hire organization to create increased levels of compliance with our new guidelines. We did this with very low risk and contracts were more explicit regarding modern slavery & worker rights

## 4. Ongoing Commitments

We commit to continuously review and improve our identification, management and mitigation of the risk of slavery and human trafficking in our business operations and supply chains. Our 2024 goals include:

- 1. Increasing certification levels year on year with a path to 100%.
- 2. Continuing to enhance controls associated with temporary labour and convert temporary to permanent employees where possible.
- 3. Further leveraging our UCC Holdings controls via further integration and a focus on origin audits.

## 5. Process of Consultation

In preparing this MSS, we have actively engaged and consulted with each of the entities it owns / controls, with a particular focus on:

- Procurement and coffee supply chain managers
- Broader coffee business personnel
- People & culture and legal departments
- Third party labour hire providers
- Logistics partners
- Sustainability partners
- Senior managers within the Group

We continue to maintain a Modern Slavery working committee and all authorised Directors have reviewed this statement prior to its publication.

### 6. Statement as Signed

UCC Coffee and Toby's Estate make this statement in accordance with section 13 of the Act. This Modern Slavery Statement (MSS) was considered and approved by resolution of the Governing Board for UCC Coffee and Toby's Estate on the date below, for the reporting year 1 January - 31 December 2023 and signed by:

Dean Divehall Chairman - UCC Coffee Australia

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