Claimants N McQueen Eighth Witness Statement Exhibit NM8 10 February 2023

Claim No. BL-2022-001396

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES BUSINESS LIST (ChD)

In the matter of an Injunction sought pursuant to CPR 25

BETWEEN:

- (1) ARLA FOODS LIMITED
- (2) ARLA FOODS HATFIELD LIMITED

**Claimants** 

-and-

- (1) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO ARE, WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE CLAIMANTS, ENTERING OR REMAINING ON LAND AND IN BUILDINGS ON ANY OF THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CLAIM FORM ("the Sites"), THOSE BEING:
- a. "THE AYLESBURY SITE" MEANING ARLA FOODS LIMITED'S SITE AT AYLESBURY DAIRY, SAMIAN WAY, ASTON CLINTON, AYLESBURY HP22 5EZ, AS MARKED IN RED ON THE PLANS AT ANNEXE 1 TO THE CLAIM FORM;
- b. "THE OAKTHORPE SITE" MEANING ARLA FOODS LIMITED'S SITE AT OAKTHORPE DAIRY, CHEQUERS WAY, PALMERS GREEN, LONDON N13 6BU, AS MARKED IN RED ON THE PLANS AT ANNEXE 2 TO THE CLAIM FORM;
  - c. "THE HATFIELD SITE" MEANING ARLA FOODS HATFIELD LIMITED'S SITE AT HATFIELD DISTRIBUTION WAREHOUSE, 4000 MOSQUITO WAY, HATFIELD BUSINESS PARK, HATFIELD, HERTFORDSHIRE AL10 9US, AS MARKED IN RED ON THE PLANS AT ANNEXE 3 TO THE CLAIM FORM; AND
- d. "THE STOURTON SITE" MEANING ARLA FOODS LIMITED'S DAIRY AT PONTEFRACT ROAD, LEEDS LS10 1AX AND NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION CENTRE AT LEODIS WAY, LEEDS LS10 1NN AS MARKED IN RED ON THE PLANS AT ANNEXE 4 TO THE CLAIM FORM

- (2) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING ARE OBSTRUCTING ANY VEHICLE ACCESSING FROM THE HIGHWAY THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CLAIM FORM
- (3) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING ARE OBSTRUCTING ANY VEHICLE ACCESSING THE HIGHWAY FROM ANY OF THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CLAIM FORM
- (4) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING CAUSING THE BLOCKING, SLOWING DOWN, OBSTRUCTING, OR OTHERWISE INTERFERING WITH THE FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ON TO, OFF, OR ALONG THE ROADS LISTED AT ANNEXE 1A, 2A, 3A, AND 4A TO THE CLAIM FORM
- (5) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING, AND WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE REGISTERED KEEPER OF THE VEHICLE, ENTERING, CLIMBING ON, CLIMBING INTO, CLIMBING UNDER, OR IN ANY WAY AFFIXING THEMSELVES ON TO ANY VEHICLE WHICH IS ACCESSING OR EXITING THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CLAIM FORM
- (6) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING, AND WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE REGISTERED KEEPER OF THE VEHICLE, ENTERING, CLIMBING ON, CLIMBING INTO, CLIMBING UNDER, OR IN ANY WAY AFFIXING THEMSELVES ON TO, ANY VEHICLE WHICH IS TRAVELLING TO OR FROM ANY OF THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CLAIM FORM)
  - (7) 34 OTHER NAMED DEFENDANTS LISTED AT SCHEDULE 1 OF THE INJUNCTION ORDER

	<b>Defendants</b>
EIGHTH WITNESS STATEMENT OF NICHOLAS MCQUEE	en

- I, **Nicholas McQueen**, of Walker Morris LLP, 33 Wellington Street, Leeds LS1 4DL, WILL SAY AS FOLLOWS –
- 1. I am a Partner of Walker Morris LLP. I represent the Claimants in these proceedings, those Claimants being Arla Foods Limited (company no. 02143253) and Arla Foods Hatfield Limited (company no. 06816100). I am authorised to make this statement on behalf of the Claimants. The First Claimant is a farmer-owned dairy co-operative. The Second Claimant is a wholly owned subsidiary of the First Claimant and holds the operating lease to one of

the sites from which the First Claimant operates its business (that being the site known as

the Hatfield Site).

2. The facts and matters set out by me in this witness statement are either known by me

directly and are true, or are known by me indirectly and are believed to the best of my

knowledge to be true. In relation to matters falling into the latter category, I have set out

the source of my knowledge and belief.

3. I make this witness statement in accordance with the undertaking given to the Court at

paragraph 4 to Schedule A of the Order dated 10 February 2023.

4. I exhibit to this witness statement a bundle of documents marked 'NM8'. Where I refer to

this exhibit I do so in the format [NM8/page number].

Additional information

5. I exhibit at [NM8/Page 1] a screenshot of a Facebook post by Animal Rebellion on 2

February 2023 which was relied upon by the Claimants at the hearing on 10 February 2023.

Statement of truth

I believe that the facts set out in this Witness Statement are true. I understand that proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false

statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Nicholas McQueen

Dated this 10th day of February 2023