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**Goodwin PLC**  
**Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement for**  
**(1) Goodwin PLC; and**  
**(2) Goodwin International Limited**

This statement is issued by Goodwin PLC and Goodwin International Limited

We are committed to preventing acts of modern slavery and human trafficking from occurring within our business and we expect the same high standards from our employees and everyone that we do business with, including our suppliers. Modern slavery is a crime and an abuse of human rights. This statement is made pursuant to the UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 (**the Act**). The Act makes serious violations of human rights an offence including slavery, servitude and forced or compulsory labour and human trafficking.

We take modern slavery seriously and we support the removal of all forms of modern slavery. As part of our commitment, the Chairman of Goodwin PLC stated at our 2021 Business Conference that:

*“We do not tolerate any modern slavery abuses in our business or supply chains and we are committed to improving our practices to combat any slavery and human trafficking abuse or exploitation”*

### **Business, Structure and Supply Chains**

We focus on manufacturing within mechanical engineering and refractory engineering sectors.

- The mechanical engineering sector serves the nuclear, oil, petrochemical, gas, LNG and water markets as well as defence contractors, civil aviation authorities and border security agencies.
- The refractory sector serves the jewellery casting, aerospace, fire protection, tyre moulding and shell moulding casting industries.

Our head office is located in Staffordshire in the United Kingdom with subsidiary companies operating from Australia, Brazil, China, Finland, Germany, Ghana, India, South Africa, South Korea, Thailand and the UK. We have a workforce of more than 1,000 employees. To find out more about the nature of our business, please click [www.goodwin.co.uk](http://www.goodwin.co.uk).

We operate from a wide range of countries and industries and we focus our efforts where we believe there is the highest risk of a violation of the Act. We have built up a network of trusted suppliers, consisting primarily of manufacturing entities as well as service providers. Within the mechanical business, both Goodwin International Limited and Noreva GmbH purchase the majority of their castings from Goodwin Steel Castings Limited. Within the refractory business, six of our casting powder factories for the jewellery industry buy manufactured cristobalite from another of our UK refractory companies, Hoben International Limited.

## **Policies**

We are continually reviewing and improving our policies including in line with the United Nations Global Compact's ten universal principles. As part of our commitment to combating modern slavery, we have implemented the following policies:

- Conflict Minerals: As part of our commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility we use our best endeavors to ensure that none of the materials we source are associated with the Democratic Republic of Congo
- Ethical trading policy
- Equal Opportunities
- Privacy Policy
- Whistle Blowing
- Sanction Policy (which includes a Know Your Customer (KYC) and anti-money laundering policies)
- Supplier Code of Conduct

As required by the Act, this Statement sets out the steps that have been taken during the recent financial year to safeguard against slavery in its various forms and human trafficking is not taking place in our businesses or our supply chains.

Throughout the year, adherence to our policy is mandated through our general contractual conditions of purchase and our Supplier Code of Conduct.

Transparency is encouraged through whistle blowing awareness and the maintenance of personal visits by management where possible. The extensive restrictions from the coronavirus pandemic have been relaxed in many jurisdictions and as a result, senior executives including the Chairman and Divisional Managing Directors have visited the majority of the Groups operations that are based overseas. No potential modern slavery concerns, or signs of such issues, were identified at any of our locations. However, we are mindful that we need to safeguard against complacency and remain diligent in this regard.

The effectiveness of these steps continue to be monitored by the Audit Committee.

## **Due Diligence**

As a part of our efforts to monitor and reduce the risk of slavery and human trafficking occurring within our supply chains, we have implemented the following due diligence procedures:

- Reviewed supplier pre-qualification questionnaires, to avoid modern slavery before engaging with new suppliers
- That major suppliers agree to anti-modern slavery provisions in writing
- The introduction of Supplier Codes of Conduct (with supplier declarations) for some subsidiaries where supplier's expressly warrant compliance as part of our standard conditions of purchase and in some cases a specific supplier declaration is provided for critical suppliers
- Suppliers and subsidiaries to have anti modern slavery provisions in their supply chain contracts cascading responsibility down the supply chain
- In high risk countries to obtain evidence through visits or written assurance that evidence is available that they operate ethically (and in line with an Ethical Purchasing Code)

## **Monitoring**

We take steps to assess, prevent, manage and mitigate the risks within our business and supply chains in high risk countries as identified on the Global Slavery Index (<https://www.globalsslaveryindex.org>).

We also have also introduced a dedicated compliance team which includes involvement from the Chairman, General Counsel and Company Secretary.

## **Training**

All directors and senior managers received training at our annual Business Conference. This has historically been very effective at raising the awareness and helps ensure that the delegates understand the importance of the issue of modern slavery and human trafficking. During the year, we have carried out enhanced sanctions, KYC and anti-money laundering training and updated internal policies to reflect the associated risks. This training has been provided by the Group's General Counsel and a leading international law firm.

This awareness is enhanced through both on the job training and process improvements with the purchasing teams and the on-line training courses that were set-up in previous years, whereby the directors of all subsidiaries are encouraged to flow the values and best practices down within their own companies taking into account local legislation in order to achieve an understanding of best practice.

## **Further actions and sign-off**

Following the review of our process this financial year to prevent slavery or human trafficking from occurring in our business or supply chains, we intend to take the following further steps to tackle slavery and human trafficking:

- a) develop a comprehensive Group wide code of conduct that is intended to act as a global policy framework, setting out the behaviors, practices and standards we expect not only of our employees to adhere to but our stakeholders; and
- b) further process improvements at subsidiary level to prevent slavery and human trafficking from occurring in our supply chain.

This statement is made on behalf of Goodwin PLC and its subsidiary companies, including Goodwin International Limited, in accordance with the obligation to make a modern slavery statement (Statement) under s54(1) of the Act.

This Statement was approved by the Board on 10 November 2023 and is signed on its behalf by:

**Matthew Goodwin**  
**Divisional Managing Director**