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SINCE PLEDGING TO WORK WITH WWF TO HALVE THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF UK BASKETS BY 2030, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE ACCELERATE OUR COMMITMENTS ON CLIMATE

Having launched the WWF Basket & WWF's Retailers' Commitment for Nature, urged prominent soy traders to join the UK Soy Manifesto, and contributed to the first WWF Basket data collection process, we now wish to demonstrate how we will lead action on climate.

Last year, each signatory to WWF's Retailers' Commitment for Nature pledged to meeting the business commitment to 1.5 by setting 1.5-degree aligned SBTs in all scopes and in all timeframes by the end of 2022. Our collective supply chains are the most significant contribution to our climate impact, so to achieve these targets, our suppliers will need to reduce emissions, in line with retailer commitments. We are critically placed within the food and drink supply chain to use our leverage to affect climate action, however, we recognise the pressure the wider retail sector is under right now. Whilst we will require science-based net zero targets in our supply chain, we wish to take responsibility for these emissions by supporting our suppliers in their decarbonisation and taking action as retailers.

As such, we will:

1 SET SUPPLY CHAIN SCIENCE BASED TARGETS

Require suppliers representing at least 50% of emissions arising from our purchased goods and services to have robust, science-based, net zero targets, across all scopes, against the following timeline:

- Publicly committed to setting science-based net zero targets aligned with 1.5 degrees by the end of 2023 at the latest.
- Publishing scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG inventories by the end of 2024.
- Publicly release science-based net zero targets aligned with 1.5 degrees in all scopes, near and long term by the end of 2025.

2 SUPPORT SUPPLIERS TO DECARBONISE

To support our suppliers in their decarbonisation, collectively, we commit to assisting our supply chain with their GHG accounting, and path to net zero. Our suppliers need retailers to speak with a collective voice, requiring us to give clear direction on the consistent and targeted actions they can take on climate, as well as how to meaningfully measure and report their progress. We commit to working with WRAP and WWF to develop a consistent set of outcomes that our suppliers should be aiming for and materials to support them achieve these. This will incorporate but not be limited to:

- Setting science-based targets;
- Key GHG reduction interventions that should be targeted in hotspot product supply chains;
- Aligned protocols for requesting and processing supplier GHG data.

These materials will be made freely available by the end of 2023 for other businesses, including our SME suppliers, to adapt and use.

3 DELIVER A RETAIL ACTION PLAN FOR A 50% REDUCTION

Building from the Courtauld Commitment 2030, WRAP have outlined a pathway for halving emissions by 2030. Taking a leadership position to achieve this, we will work with WRAP and other stakeholders, to develop and deliver an ambitious climate action programme for the grocery retail sector. This programme of work will identify a core set of actions that we can implement over the next 8 years. In the first instance, this will incorporate, but not be limited to, the actions identified in the WWF Basket Blueprint and the [WRAP Pathway 2030](#). We will focus on the most-impactful actions, where collaboration is fundamental to achieving GHG reduction – including through any key government initiatives. This programme will be developed and released by the end of 2023.

4 ADVOCACY

Decarbonising the food sector has the potential to reduce our vulnerability to global fossil fuel prices as well as tackling more than a third of our emissions. To ensure the delivery of emissions reductions in the agriculture and land sectors, we ask the Government to release an Emissions Reduction Strategy for Agriculture and Land Use, which must drive the adoption of a Land Use Framework.

Nature and climate are intrinsically linked. Our businesses are reliant on a stable climate and abundant nature, so delivering on net zero in an economically efficient way is business critical. We will feed into the Review of Net Zero and the refresh of the Net Zero Strategy Review to ensure it addresses the ways in which we produce our food and use our land.





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