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**RE: WO1718557 Letter of concern re: investment in Mueller (ref. nr. 20240746)**

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To: InfoDesk &lt;InfoDesk@eib.org&gt;

Bcc: S3F Project Response WG &lt;project-response-wg@stopfinancingfactoryfarming.com&gt;

Dear EIB InfoDesk Team,

Thanks for your consideration and detailed reply.

We would like to follow up on a couple of points we still have doubts or concerns about.

First of all, there seems to be inconsistency between your argument that the project does not finance dairy and the project objective of replacing "two obsolete dairy production lines": are the "obsolete [dairy products] production lines" being substituted with plant-based products production lines?

Secondly, it is disappointing to read that the EIB does not take into account their clients' practices across their operations and supply chains. Corporate practice across operations has shown that Mueller is incapable of guaranteeing respect for animal welfare in its supply chain, and that can occur in Germany too.

We will soon reach out to the company and directly request information about their animal welfare monitoring practices and policies.

However, we strongly believe and would like to reiterate here that the EIB should not consider clients that have been linked to violations of animal welfare or to breaches of environmental and human rights, regardless of where these took place, as they indicate a general lack of due diligence across the clients' operations.

Thank you for your positive engagement with concerned stakeholders, which we hope will continue in the future.

Kind regards,

Alessandro Ramazzotti

*on behalf of the signatories to the letter*

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