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1. General provisions, contact details

Partner in Pet Food NL B.V. (with its registered seat at: Van Deventerlaan 30-40, 3528 AE Utrecht, Netherlands); e-mail: info.nl@ppfeurope.com; telephone number: +31 (0)24 34 35 910) ("**Company**") is processing "*personal data*" (as defined in Article 4.1 of the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 of the EU - "**GDPR**") in connection with applicants ("**Applicants**") for jobs that are published on the website <http://www.ppfeurope.com> ("**Website**") or publicly advertised elsewhere and where applicant, as the case may be, apply for jobs by other means (electronically, by phone, personally or via post) even in the absence of any publicly announced posts. This data protection notice ("**Data Protection Notice**") provides the means and other details related to the processing of such personal data and the rights and remedies which the Applicants may have in connection with such data.

The Company reserves the right to unilaterally modify this Notice with subsequent effect, subject to the limitations provided for in the laws and with advance notification to the Applicants in due time, if necessary. The Company may modify this Notice especially when it is required upon changes in the laws, the practice of the data protection authority, business needs or employees' needs, any newly revealed security exposures or upon reflections of the Applicants.

2. Job applications and the processing of the related personal data

By submitting his/her job application with all personal data included in it, the Applicant represents and warrants that (i) such data relate to his/her own personal data only, or (ii) he/she has obtained appropriate and informed consent or other adequate legal basis for disclosing the personal data (e.g. where he/she refers to one or more particular reference persons). In case the Company becomes aware that any personal data of a data subject was disclosed without his/her consent or any other appropriate legal basis, then the Company immediately deletes such personal data. The data subject is also entitled to exercise the rights and apply the remedies set forth in this Data Protection Notice. The Company will not bear liability for any loss, damage or harm which may be incurred in connection with a breach of the above representation and warranty made by the Applicant.

The Company may receive personal data also from external companies e.g. from labour agencies, or head hunters. The terms and conditions of such external company will be applicable to the data processing carried out by such external companies and the Company does not exercise control in connection with this. Where the purpose of processing personal data is required for the enforcement of the legitimate interests of the Company or those of a third party, the Company shall – upon a request submitted to the above contact details – provide the balancing test used for establishing such legitimate interest. **The Company wishes to draw the attention of the Applicants to their right of objection to the processing of their personal data due to a cause related to their own situation any time where the processing is based on legitimate interest including the case where the processing takes the form of profiling. In such a case, the Company ceases processing the personal data unless it can prove that the processing has to be continued due to compelling legitimate reasons which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the Applicants or which relate to the submission, the enforcement or the protection of legal claims.**

The Company provides the information in connection with the job applications and the processing of personal data that are included in them as set out below. Where this Notice refers to the time period stipulated in the statute of limitations as the time period while personal data are stored, any act or circumstance which causes a break in the time period so stipulated will cause an extension of the storage period concerned until the new date when the claim concerned becomes time-barred.

Description and purpose of data processing	Legal basis of the data processing	Scope of processed data	Duration of the data processing
<p>Processing the personal data of Applicants for the purpose of filling the posts announced by the Company and selected by the Applicants (recruitment), and documenting the selection process.</p>	<p>Art. 6.1 f) GDPR (legitimate interest)</p> <p>The processing of personal data in the context of these purposes is necessary for the promotion of the legitimate interest of the Company to design our recruitment and selection process in a responsible, effective and efficient manner and more specifically to: (a) contact the Applicant and keep him/her informed regarding the developments of the selection process and to answer his/her questions; (b) to evaluate the application and to assess the experience, skills, qualifications, interest and suitability of the Applicant for the vacancy and to hold job interviews and (c) to administer the recruitment and selection process of the Company. These processing activities are justified based on Art. 6.1 f) GDPR.</p> <p>In case of a successful selection, the Company notifies the labour agency about the acceptance and the initial terms of compensation of the Applicant according to the terms and conditions of data processing of the agency. The purpose is the calculation of the commission payable for the successful recruitment to the agency. The legal basis of the data transfer is Article 6.1</p>	<p>The name and contact details (address, telephone number, e-mail address, and, as the case may be, the LinkedIn or other social media profile contacts, the address of a professional website) of the Applicants, the content of the CV and motivation letter, profile photo attached to the CV, knowledge of foreign languages, information related to previous work experience, place(s) of work, qualifications, skills and education, preferred professional area, references and, where available, expected salary figure. The CVs and applications may include personal data given voluntarily such as the place and date of birth, mother's maiden name, citizenship.</p> <p>The Company may receive such data directly from the Applicant or via third parties (e.g. labour agencies). In the latter case, the terms and conditions of data processing determined by such third party shall also apply to the data processing.</p> <p>The Company prepares internal reports and notes in connection with applications regarding the assessment and the aspects of its assessment.</p>	<p>The storage period per category of documents is set out in the PPF NL Retention policy.</p> <p>In case the Applicant withdraws his/her application before the decision on the selection through one of the contact channels of the Company, then the Company deletes the data of the Applicant. The Company deems the withdrawal of the application as a waiver by the Applicant of any claims in connection with the application.</p> <p>Within the organisation of the Company, the competent person of the area that is affected by the job application and the HR Department have access to the application and the personal data of the Applicant. The Company stores all job applications and the personal data included in them on a server and mailbox system (mailbox system account) to which the HR Department has exclusive access.</p>

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	f) of the GDPR (the legitimate interest of the Company and that of the agency).	In addition, the Applicant may disclose the names, positions and contact details of reference persons who relate to his/her current or previous jobs where such persons (his/her former superiors or colleagues, in most cases) can provide substantive information about the professional skills and experience of the Applicant. In case the Company seeks contact with the reference persons so identified, the information sought from such persons can exclusively be such data which concern the professional skills and experience of the Applicant that may be relevant in relation to the particular job that is applied for i.e. the Company may not record any other kinds of data.	
Keeping CVs of other documents related to job applications (e.g. motivation letters) of Applicants in order to make it possible that the Company could contact the Applicant later with an offered job directly (e.g. when a job becomes vacant).	<p>Article 6.1 (a) of the GDPR (voluntary consent).</p> <p>The Company may wish to store the documents of job applications even after the closing of a recruitment process or in the absence of a job vacancy and seek the consent of the Applicant to this with the purpose of making a future offer (e.g. when there is no vacancy in the particular area related to the application of an Applicant but there may be one later).</p> <p>The Applicant may withdraw his/her consent any time. Such withdrawal will</p>	The scope of the data which the Applicant shared with the Company initially.	<p>The storage period per category of documents is set out in the <i>PPF NL Retention policy</i>.</p> <p>The Applicant may request the deletion of his/her data any time. The Company deems such a request as a waiver of any claim Company in connection with the storage of the documents of the particular job application by the Company.</p> <p>Within the organisation of the Company, the competent person of the area that is affected by the job application and the HR Department</p>

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	<p>not affect the legitimacy of the data processing carried out on the consent granted prior to the withdrawal.</p> <p>The consent is voluntary; however, the Company cannot directly address the given Applicant with a job offer in the future in the absence of the consent.</p>		<p>have access to the application and the personal data of the Applicant. The Company stores all job applications and the personal data included in them on a server and mailbox system (mail system account) to which the HR Department has exclusive access.</p>
<p>Processing personal data in relation to travelling arrangements and booking accommodation for the Applicant. This may be needed in case e.g. the interview with the applicant takes place in another country and the Company arranges the trip and the booking of accommodation for the Applicant upon advance discussion with him/her.</p>	<p>Article 6.1 f) of the GDPR (the data processing is necessary in connection with the legitimate interest of the Company).</p> <p>The legitimate interest: facilitating the arrangements of the interview more efficiently so procuring e.g. that the Applicant can be interviewed in a hotel which is easier to reach either for the Applicant or for a participant of the recruitment process acting on the side of the Company; or the Applicant can be interviewed directly at the location where the job is supposed to be carried out (that way, also the Applicant can have more definite information about his/her future job and colleagues), and releasing the Applicant from (part of) his/her administrative burden.</p>	<p>The personal data of the Applicant related to the travel and booking of accommodation including the Applicant's name, the dates and time of the discussions, those of the interview, the arrival and departure, the type of the trip and the vehicle used (e.g. airplane or international railway, etc.) the details of the booked room and the data of the services related to the provision of accommodation and the data of certain special requests related to the travel and/or the accommodation, if applicable (e.g. first class air ticket, choice of special breakfast menu at the hotel, etc.).</p>	<p>The storage period per category of documents is set out in the <i>PPF NL Retention policy</i>.</p>

3. Data security measures applied by the Company

The Company protects the personal data it processes primarily by restricting the access to the information and by the unambiguous regulation of the rights to use them. Only such persons may have access to the systems and instruments used for processing the personal data under this Data Protection Notice whose access is required in order to fulfil the above-mentioned purposes and who are authorised to exercise such access. These persons include e.g. designated team members or departments (e.g. to user data that are required for the use of the Company's IT systems, it is the IT Department authorised to have access).

The Company ensures the safe and legitimate use of the devices which it makes available (including Company-owned computers, laptops and mobile phones), the e-mail boxes and the Internet and the desirable level of consciousness of the employees related to such use by applying the following measures:

- The Company expects that the devices which it made available and which have access to the Internet as well as the e-mail boxes are used by the employees with specific user names and password which are adequately complex and up-dated at determined intervals.
- The Company protects all its systems and devices by fire walls, antivirus software and spam filters. In addition, the Company operates an intrusion protection system (so-called IPS) which enables the detection, blocking and logging of illegitimate attempts of access to the computers systems of the Company.
- The Company makes available safe wired and wireless network access for all devices.
- Remote access to the systems and software of the Company for any device is possible only by safe connection (VPN) by using specific user names and passwords, with mitigation of chances of accidental access (including illegitimate access by the use of stolen or lost devices)
- The IT Department of the Company carries out regular software and system up-dates and back-up saves of data in accordance with its own internal regulations.

As regards the physical protection of data and that of electronic documents, the Company owns locked server rooms and procures that access to a particular document is reserved to adequately authorised persons only (e.g. access to HR documents is reserved to the HR Department).

4. Data transfer to other data controllers

The Company may share personal data within its group of companies. The recipients of the data transfers act as independent data controllers. This means that they may determine the purpose of data processing independently or jointly with others (including the Company as the case may be), make decisions and implement them, or have them implemented by a data processor engaged for that purpose, regarding data processing (including the instrument to be used).

The legal basis for data transfer within the group of companies is Article 6.1 f) of the GDPR (the legitimate interest of the Company).

The legitimate interest: unifying and enhancing the group-level recruitment tasks of the Company and the group members. For example: the employment of a new IT team member by PPF Poland is carried out with the involvement of the IT Department and the HR Department of the PPF company in Hungary. The new team member in Poland will also work together with his/her colleagues located in Hungary and, therefore, it is also the legitimate interest of the company in Hungary that it could evaluate the assessment of the new team member. The affected PPF group company processes the data in the job application in accordance with its own Data Protection Notice covering the processing of personal data and in accordance with its own national laws.

The scope of recipients include the following:

IT services on the basis of an indefinite-term service agreement.

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In addition, personal data are transferred to accommodation and travel service provider partners of the Company. The purpose is arranging travels and accommodations of Applicants to locations where recruitment interviews and the selection process takes place. Such partners act as independent data controllers who follow their own data processing policies. The legal basis of the data transfer is article 6 (1) f) of the GDPR (i.e. the legitimate interest of the Company as elaborated in the relevant line under point 2 above).

5. Data protection rights and remedies of Applicants

5.1 Rights and remedies

The detailed rights and remedies of the individuals, including the Applicants and the persons referred to in point 2 herein (e.g. person who submit a job application on behalf of somebody else), are set forth in the applicable provisions of the GDPR (especially in articles 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 77, 78, 79, 80, and 82 of the GDPR). The summary set out below describes the most important provisions and the Company

provides information for Applicants and other affected persons in accordance with the above articles about their rights and remedies related to the processing of personal data.

The information shall be provided in writing, or by other means, including, where appropriate, by electronic means. When requested by the individual, information may also be provided orally, provided that the identity of the individual is proven by other means.

The Company will respond without unreasonable delay and by no means later than within one month of receipt to the request of an individual whereby such person exercises his/her rights about the measures taken upon such request (see articles 15-22 of the GDPR). This period may be, if needed, extended by further two months in the light of the complexity of the request and the number of requests to be processed. The Company notifies the individual about the extension also indicating its grounds within one month of the receipt of the request. Where the request has been submitted by electronic means, the response should likewise be sent electronically unless the individual otherwise requests.

In case the Company does not take any measure upon the request, it shall so notify the individual without delay but by no means later than in one month stating why no measures are taken and about the opportunity of the individual to lodge a complaint with the data protection authority and to file an action with the courts for remedy.

5.2 The data subject's right of access

- (1) The affected person has the right to obtain confirmation from the Company whether or not personal data concerning him/her are being processed. Where the case is such, then he/she is entitled to have access to the personal data concerned and to the following information:
 - a) the purposes of the processing;
 - b) the categories of personal data concerned;
 - c) the recipients or categories of recipient to whom the personal data have been or will be disclosed;
 - d) where possible, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, or, if not possible, the criteria used to determine that period;
 - e) the right of the affected person to request from the Company rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing of personal data concerning the affected person or to object to such processing;
 - f) the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority;
 - g) where the personal data are not collected from the data subject, any available information as to their source.
- (2) The Company provides a copy of the personal data undergoing processing to the data subject. The Company may charge a reasonable fee based on administrative costs for requested further copies. Where the affected person submitted his/her request in electronic form, the response will be provided to him/her by widely used electronic means unless otherwise requested by the data subject.

5.3 Right to rectification

The data subject has the right to request that the Company rectify inaccurate personal data which concern him/her without undue delay. In addition, the data subject is also entitled to have incomplete personal data completed e.g. by a supplementary statement or otherwise.

5.4 Right to erasure ('right to be forgotten')

- (1) The affected person has the right that when he/she so requests, the Company erase the personal data concerning him/her without delay where one of the following grounds applies:
 - a) the personal data are no longer necessary in relation to the purposes for which they were collected or otherwise processed by the Company;

- b) the affected person withdraws consent on which the processing is based, and is no other legal ground subsists for the processing;
 - c) the affected person objects to the processing and there are no overriding legitimate grounds for the processing;
 - d) the personal data have been unlawfully processed;
 - e) the personal data have to be erased for compliance with a legal obligation in Union or Member State law to which the Company is subject;
 - f) the collection of the personal data occurred in connection with offering services regarding the information society.
- (2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the extent that processing is necessary, among other things, for:
- a) exercising the right of freedom of expression and information;
 - b) compliance with a legal obligation which requires processing by Union or Member State law to which the Company is subject;
 - c) archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes in so far as the right referred to in paragraph (1) is likely to render impossible or seriously impair the achievement of the objectives of that processing; or
 - d) the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.

5.5 Right to restriction of processing

- (1) The affected person has the right to obtain a restriction of processing from the Company where one of the following applies:
- a) the accuracy of the personal data is contested by the affected person, for a period enabling the Company to verify the accuracy of the personal data;
 - b) the processing is unlawful and the affected person opposes the erasure of the personal data and requests the restriction of their use instead;
 - c) the Company no longer needs the personal data for the purposes of the processing, but the affected person requires them for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims;
 - d) the affected person has objected to processing based on the legitimate interest of the Company pending the verification whether the legitimate grounds of the Company override those of the affected person.
- (2) Where processing has been restricted under paragraph (1), such personal data shall, with the exception of storage, only be processed with consent of the affected person or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims or for the protection of the rights of another natural or legal person or for reasons of important public interest of the Union or of a Member State.
- (3) The Company informs the affected person whose request has served as grounds for the restriction based on the aforesaid, before the restriction of processing is lifted.

5.6 Notification obligation regarding rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing

The Company will communicate any rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing to each recipient to whom the personal data have been disclosed, unless this proves impossible or involves disproportionate effort. The Company informs the affected person about those recipients if he/she so requests.

5.7 Right to data portability

- (1) The individual has the right to receive the personal data concerning him/her, which he/she has provided to the Company in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format and have the right to transmit those data to another controller without hindrance from the Company, where:

- a) the processing is based on consent or on a contract; and
 - b) the processing is carried out by automated means.
- (2) In exercising the right to data portability pursuant to paragraph 1, the individual shall have the right to have the personal data transmitted directly from one controller to another (such as the Company and other controller), where technically feasible.
- (3) Exercising the aforesaid right shall not contravene to provisions concerning the right to erasure ('right to be forgotten') and, further, this right shall not harm the rights and freedoms of others.

5.8 Right to object

- (1) The affected person has the right to object, on grounds relating to his/her particular situation, at any time to processing of personal data concerning him/her for the purposes of legitimate interests. The Company will no longer process the personal data unless it demonstrates compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the affected person or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.
- (2) Where personal data are processed for scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes, the affected person, on grounds relating to his/her particular situation, has the right to object to processing of personal data concerning him/her, unless the processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out for reasons of public interest.

5.9 Right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority

The affected person has the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority, in particular in the Member State of his/her habitual residence, place of work or place of the alleged infringement if he/she considers that the processing of personal data relating to him/her infringes the GDPR. In the Netherlands, the competent supervisory authority is the Dutch Data Protection Authority (*Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens*) (address: Autoriteit Persoonsgegevens, P.O. Box 93374, 2509 AJ The Hague, The Netherlands, phone number: +31 – (0)70 - 8888500, fax: +31 – (0)70 – 8888501.)

5.10 Right to an effective judicial remedy against a supervisory authority

- (1) The affected person has the right to an effective judicial remedy against a legally binding decision of a supervisory authority concerning him/her.
- (2) The affected person has the right to an effective judicial remedy where the supervisory authority which is competent does not handle a complaint or does not inform him/her within three months on the progress or outcome of the complaint lodged.
- (3) Proceedings against a supervisory authority shall be brought before the courts of the Member State where the supervisory authority is established.

5.11 Right to an effective judicial remedy against the Company or the processor

- (1) The affected person, without prejudice to any available administrative or non-judicial remedy, including the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority, has the right to an effective judicial remedy where he/she considers that his/her rights under the GDPR have been infringed as a result of the processing of his/her personal data in non-compliance with the GDPR.
- (2) Proceedings against the Company or a processor shall be brought before the courts of the Member State where the Company or processor has an establishment. Alternatively, such proceedings may be brought before the courts of the Member State where the affected person has habitual residence. You can find information on the competent courts at www.rechtspraak.nl.

Schedule
The balancing test carried out by the Company in relation to assessments

The table below describes the test which the Company carries out with respect to the processing of the personal data of Applicants in order to evaluate the balance between interests i.e. whether the legitimate interests of the Company override the interests and fundamental rights and freedoms of the Applicants which make the protection of personal data necessary.

<p>1. Whether carrying out the examination of assessment of Applicants who have submitted applications for the jobs concerned is inevitably necessary? Are alternative solutions for the same available which may serve the same purpose without processing personal data?</p>	<p>No data processing solution is available which would affect the personal data of the subject to a lesser extent while serving the purposes of the data processing with similar efficiency.</p> <p>In the light of the manufacturing activities of the Company (i.e. producing pet food) and the required high standard product quality, the safety of persons and assets, compliance with occupational and health-related safety, it is inevitably needed to carry out assessments in the course of recruitment-related interviews in order to evaluate certain professional competences that are required for certain jobs.</p> <p>In the light of the above, the assessments concern the particular applicants exclusively who submitted applications for certain jobs which the Company had announced.</p>
<p>2. The legitimate interest of the Company</p>	<p>The following are the legitimate interests of the Company:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - carrying out product manufacturing by the Company continuously, safely and in a compliant manner to meet high quality standards; - compliance with the legal provisions and industrial standards and regulations regarding product quality, safety regulations regarding persons and assets, work safety as well as the safety of human and animal health; - taking the above interests into account, for filling managerial and certain specialist posts (e.g. product development and controlling) evaluation of certain professional competences is inevitably needed.
<p>3. What is the purpose of processing data? What kind of personal data need to be processed and for how long in the light of the legitimate interests in question?</p>	<p>The purpose of processing data is the evaluation of the Applicant's assessment for the job he/she has applied for.</p> <p>The Company is processing exclusively the findings of the assessments i.e. the fact whether the Applicant is suitable for the particular job or whether further requirements need to be satisfied with the participation of the Company for filling the job and to ascertain that these requirements are met, e.g. further professional education, trainings, to facilitate managerial trainings where those are needed to fill management positions.</p> <p>The assessment of the Applicant's answers given in forms / on-line platform / or in the course of interviews are exclusively carried out by a competent person who is a member of the Company's own personnel who is obliged to observe confidentiality.</p>

	<p>Before starting the assessments, the Company informs the affected Applicants in each case about the need to carry out the examination, the examined professional competences and the means of the examination process, their rights and remedies and the Company procures that they may become familiar with those in advance through the aforesaid channels.</p>
4. Which are the interests of the affected persons with respect to the data processing?	<p>Respecting the privacy rights, the rights and freedoms attaching to their personal data. The Company takes this into account to the most possible extent even at the time when the assessment tests concerned were prepared and at the selection of the competent team member who belongs to the personnel of the Company.</p>
5. Why does the legitimate interest of the Company override the rights and freedoms of the affected persons proportionately?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Company carries out assessments in connection with certain particular jobs only (in case, especially, of management positions and those in certain critical areas); - The purpose of the assessments is the evaluation of professional competences that are required for particular jobs; the aim is not the assessment of personal competences, in general; - Before starting the assessments, the Company informs the Applicants that assessments are needed, about the examined competences and the examination process as well as their rights and available legal remedies; - The Applicants have the right to ask questions from the Company before and during the assessments; - Only team members of the Company's own personnel have authority to learn the content of and handle the paper-based or on-line test sheets and the summary report prepared by a competent person about the answers given in the course of the interviews; - While the test sheets and the answers given in the course of the interview are evaluated only the given answers are taken into account i.e. other attributes and circumstances (e.g. the handwriting) are not considered; - The Company is accessing and handling only the findings of the examinations i.e. the fact whether or not the Applicant has been found suitable to fill the particular post and whether further requirements need to be satisfied for filling the job and, if so, which those requirements are; - Within the organisation of the Company, only the competent person of the area affected by the application and those of the HR Department can have access to the findings of the assessments.