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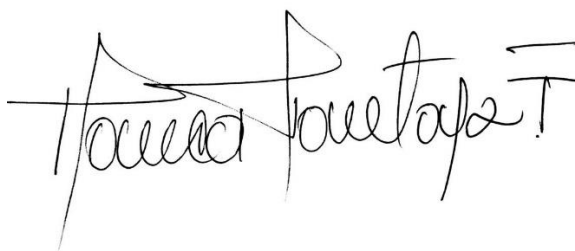
## Genetically Modified Organisms Use Policy

Given that the use of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) is regulated in Colombia by the Decree 4225 of 2005 of Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Grupo Éxito adheres to such regulation and thus permits the use of GMOs as ingredients in private label products or private label finished products.

In view of the above, Grupo Éxito requires that any food or derived raw material involved in private label production that contains GMOs must be authorized for this use through a Resolution issued by the National Institute for Food and Drug Surveillance - INVIMA, in accordance with the established in Resolution 2535 of 2017.

In the specific case of produce, genetically modified propagation material used for planting must comply with current regulations and be authorized by the Colombian Agricultural Institute – ICA.

Grupo Éxito verifies through field evaluations that private label suppliers have proper traceability procedures that can evidence the controls on the raw materials and/or products containing GMOs. Compliance of quality, safety and legal standards are also verified in these evaluations.



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