CITY OF NEW YORK

COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

In the Matter of the Complaint of:

THE NEW YORK CITY COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS,

Complainant,

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— against —

BALDOR SPECIALTY FOODS INC.,

Respondent

The New York City Commission on Human Rights ("Commission") brings this action against Respondent Baldor Specialty Foods Inc. ("Baldor") for violating § 8-107(32) of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, the New York City Human Rights Law ("NYCHRL"). As of November 1, 2022, the NYCHRL requires employers in New York City to include a good faith salary range for every job, promotion, and transfer opportunity advertised. The Commission alleges as follows:

# **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

The Commission initiates this Complaint pursuant to NYCHRL § 8-109(c). The effects of the alleged unlawful policies and practices described in this complaint occurred in the City of New York.

#### **PARTIES**

- 1. The Commission's address is 22 Reade Street, New York, NY 10007.
- 2. Respondent Baldor is an employer as defined by NYCHRL § 8-102 and, upon information and belief, employs fifteen (15) or more employees. Respondent's address for

service of process is Baldor Specialty Foods, Inc.,155 Food Center Drive, Bronx, NY 10474. Its business address is 155 Food Center Dr, Bronx, NY 10474.

#### **FACTS**

- 3. Respondent maintains a careers page on its website, https://www.baldorfood.com/careers ("Jobs Site").
- 4. As of June 12, 2023, the Jobs Site contains fifty-two job listings for positions in New York City at Baldor.
- 5. As of June 12, 2023, at least seven listings on the Jobs Site for positions in New York City or containing work to be performed in New York City did not display salary ranges. These include: Employee Relations Manager; HR & Rewards Analyst; HR Director, Corporate; Inside Sales Supervisor; Manager, Analytics and Insights; Talent Acquisition Recruiter; and Director of Marketing.

## **CHARGE I**

- 6. Complainant incorporates and realleges paragraphs 1 through 5 of this Complaint as though fully set forth herein.
- 7. The Commission charges that Respondent has unlawfully discriminated against job applicants by failing to include a salary range in job listings for positions in New York City currently on its Jobs Site, in violation of § 8-107(32) of the NYCHRL.

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, the Commission respectfully requests judgment against Respondent as follows:

a) Declaring that Respondent's acts, practices, and omissions complained of herein violate the NYCHRL;

b) Directing Respondent to make all necessary modifications to its policies,

practices, and procedures to comply with NYCHRL;

Directing Respondent to train all management, agents, and employees on

NYCHRL;

c)

d) Directing Respondent to engage in affirmative relief, including anti-

discrimination training, policy revisions, posting and notice to employees, and monitoring.

Sapna V. Raj, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am the Deputy Commissioner of the Law Enforcement Bureau of the New York City

Commission on Human Rights, the Complainant herein; I have read the foregoing Complaint and

know the content thereof; the same is true of my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein

stated on information and belief; and, as to those matters, I believe the same to be true.

Dated: New York, NY

December 4, 2023

Sapna V. Raj

Deputy Commissioner

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