

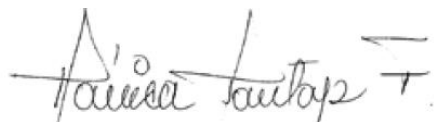
POLICY OF USE OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS

Since in Colombia, the use of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) is regulated by the **Decree 4525 of 2005** of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Grupo Éxito works under this normativity and accepts the presence of GMO in its private brand raw materials and finished products.

According to the previous statement, Grupo Éxito requests to its private brand suppliers, that any food or derived raw material that contains GMO, must be authorized for this use through the Resolution issued by the Colombian National Food and Drug Surveillance Institute (INVIMA in Spanish), according to what is established in the Resolution **2535 of 2017**.

For fruits and vegetables, genetically modified propagation material used for sowing must comply with the regulations and be authorized by the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA in Spanish).

Grupo Éxito, verifies through field evaluations made to the private brand suppliers, the existence of traceability procedures that evidence the applied controls to raw materials and/or GMO products or that contains GMO, that meet the requirements of quality, safety and applicable legislation.



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