

## **JBS Company Response – 18.08.25**

JBS does not export cattle from Porto Velho to the United States. The company regrets that Earthsight did not share the complete records to support its allegations.

JBS adopts a five-pronged approach to sustainable production in its supply chain that includes: (1) enforcing a rigorous zero-tolerance sourcing policy for agricultural commodities, with strong anti-deforestation measures; (2) deploying a state-of-the-art supply chain monitoring and enforcement capabilities; (3) offering free technical assistance and extension services to help producers regularize their farms and enhance operations; (4) accelerating sectoral changes through multi-stakeholder engagement and collaboration; and (5) promoting sustainable development in the Amazon region with the JBS Fund for the Amazon.

The Company JBS has developed a cattle supplier monitoring system that leverages public and government databases, satellite imagery, and geo-referenced data to verify compliance with socio-environmental standards for every cattle purchase.

Our Responsible Raw Material Procurement Policy prohibits the purchase of livestock from farms involved in deforestation, forced labor, invasion of indigenous territories, or embargoed by Brazilian environmental authorities.

Additionally, all livestock suppliers in the Amazon who sell to JBS must adhere to the Beef on Track Protocol, developed by the non-governmental organization Imaflora and the Brazilian Federal Prosecutor's Office (MPF). Beef on Track establishes the processes and tools for monitoring, auditing, and reporting for a deforestation-free beef supply chain.

JBS goes beyond legal requirements. The Company currently operates the Transparent Livestock Farming Platform, a web-based system where direct suppliers register and can indicate the origin of purchased animals.

By January 2026, JBS will only buy from cattle suppliers registered in its platform.

The company is also actively engaged with other stakeholders in the cattle supply chain, such as the Government of Pará and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) with the aim of implementing a groundbreaking individual traceability system in the state. The company not only donated 2 million tags but has led crucial training and testing of the systems involved in the program. And with the JBS Accelerator initiative, the company is helping its supply chain adhere to the program.

To help producers regularize their farms and achieve compliance with the Brazilian Forest Code, JBS operates a network of 20 Green Offices in the Amazon and Cerrado biomes to provide free technical assistance. Since 2021, the program has provided consulting and technical support to more than 18,000 rural properties, and more than 7,000 hectares have been allocated for forest restoration.

Regarding the study by Imazon, Abiec (The Brazilian Association of Beef Exporters Industries) has expressed concerns: "The methodology used in the study reaches a simplistic and inaccurate conclusion of deforestation risk exposure without taking into account corporate policies, sustainable purchasing management systems and supplier blocking to mitigate this risk".

Regarding the Rondônia State's Attorney lawsuit filed in 2023, JBS presented a defense and is currently awaiting the Court's decision.