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Multi Year Accessibility Plan

Message from the CEO

Global Distribution & Warehousing is committed to excellence in serving and interacting with the customers, suppliers and the public, including people with disabilities who visit our office. Global Distribution & Warehousing will ensure that employees are trained and familiar with various assistive devices that may be used by those persons with disabilities who visit our offices.

Global Distribution & Warehousing will communicate with people with disabilities in ways that take into account their disability.

Global Distribution & Warehousing welcomes people with disabilities and their service animals. Service animals are allowed in designated areas of our facility.

Global Distribution & Warehousing welcomes people with disabilities who are accompanied by a support person and will be allowed to have that person accompany them on our premises. In the event of a planned or unexpected disruption to services or facilities for customers with disabilities, Global Distribution & Warehousing will notify visitors promptly. A clearly posted Notice of Disruption will include information about the reason for the disruption, the anticipated length of time, and a description of alternative facilities or services, if available. The Notice of Disruption will be displayed in a conspicuous place.

Global Distribution & Warehousing will provide training to all employees. Training will be provided during new employee orientation and whenever changes are made to our accessible customer service plan.

Global Distribution & Warehousing will provide a customer feedback process for persons with disabilities who visit our facility.

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to providing a welcoming, safe and accommodating environment to employees with disabilities.

Global Distribution & Warehousing welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities and will make any accommodations necessary during the selection process. Global Distribution & Warehousing has plans in place to accommodate employees with disabilities in the recruitment process, return to work process and for emergency situations.

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Introduction

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to treating all people in a way that allows them to maintain their dignity and independence.

Global Distribution and Warehousing believes in integration and equal opportunity. Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to meeting the needs of people with disabilities in a timely manner, and will do so by preventing and removing barriers to accessibility and meeting accessibility requirements under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*, 2005 ("AODA").

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to fulfilling our requirements under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.* This accessibility plan outlines the steps we are taking to meet those requirements and improve opportunities for people with disabilities.

Global Distribution and Warehousing has a plan showing how we will play our role in making Ontario an accessible province for all Ontarians.

Global Distribution and Warehousing will review and update the plan at least once every 5 years.

Global Distribution and Warehousing will train every person as soon as practicable after being hired and provide training in respect of any changes to the policies.

Global Distribution and Warehousing maintains records of the training provided, including the dates on which the training was provided and the number of individuals to whom it was provided.

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Accessibility Plan for Global Distribution and Warehousing

Customer Service

Commitment:

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to excellence in serving all customers, including persons with disabilities, and it will carry out its functions in a manner which delivers an accessible customer service experience.

Global is committed to providing its goods and services in a way that respects the dignity and independence of persons with disabilities. This commitment will be integrated wherever possible and will ensure that persons with disabilities will benefit from the same services, in the same place and in a similar way as other clients.

Actions Taken/Initiatives

The following measures have been implemented by Global Distribution and Warehousing:

- Developed and implemented a Customer Service Standard. The Standard ensures all persons
 who, on behalf of Global Distribution and Warehousing, deal with the public are trained to
 communicate and provide the best possible customer service to all customers, including persons
 with disabilities.
- Ensures employees are trained and familiar with various assistive devices that may be used by customers with disabilities who are accessing Global Distribution and Warehousing facilities.
- Ensures completion of accessibility training is tracked and recorded.
- Ensures customers and other third parties who are accompanied by service animals or support
 persons in areas of a Global Distribution and Warehousing facility, open to the public, are
 accommodated.
- Provides customers with prompt notification of any disruption to our services or facilities.
 Notices will be posted in accessible formats in public entrances where customers access Global products and services with information regarding the reason for the disruption, its anticipated duration and a description of alternative facilities and services, if available. Depending on the nature of the disruption, Global Distribution and Warehousing will also use other accessible communication channels, such as messages on the appropriate corporate websites.
- Welcomes customer feedback to improve the accessibility of products and services through multiple communications channels.
- Serves customers in various ways (in-person, by phone, on-line).

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Feedback, Information and Communications

Commitment

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to meeting the communication needs of people with disabilities.

Global Distribution and Warehousing has and will continue to incorporate new accessibility requirements under the information and communication standards to ensure that its information and communication systems are accessible and are provided in accessible formats that meet the needs of people with disabilities.

Actions Taken/Initiatives

- Global Distribution and Warehousing will continue to ensure that existing and new processes for
 receiving and responding to feedback are accessible to persons with disabilities by providing
 accessible formats and communication supports upon request and in a timely manner.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will continue to achieve compliance with the Web Content
 Accessibility Guidelines-based (WCAG) commitments in the Information and Communication
 section of the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR) to ensure Global Distribution
 and Warehousing's websites are accessible for all.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing has implemented processes for customers, auditors and individuals seeking employment with Global Distribution & Warehousing to provide us with feedback on our accessibility for persons with disabilities.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing can provide or arrange for accessible formats and communication supports, upon request, and at a cost that is no more than the regular cost charged to other persons.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will notify the public about the availability of accessible formats and communication supports.

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Training

Employee Training

Commitment:

Global Distribution and Warehousing will provide training to employees on Ontario's accessibility laws and on the Ontario Human Rights Code as it relates to people with disabilities. Training will be provided in a way that best suits the duties of the employees.

Actions Planned / Taken

Global Distribution and Warehousing is taking the following steps to ensure employees are provided with the training needed to meet Ontario's accessibility laws:

- Training based on the Global Distribution & Warehousing Accessible Customer Service Plan.
- Provide an overview of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 and the requirements of the customer service standard.
- Establish an internal committee with the responsibility for developing appropriate training.
- Incorporate the training into the employee orientation process for new employees and take steps to ensure that the training is provided to existing employees as soon as practicable.
- Training on how to interact and communicate with people with various types of disabilities.
- Training on how to interact with people with disabilities who use an assistive device or require the assistance of a service animal or a support person.
- Train employees to use any devices, supplied by Global Distribution & Warehousing, to assist people with disabilities.
- Facilitate training on procedures to assist a person with a disability when they are having difficulty in accessing a Global Distribution & Warehousing facility.

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Employment

Commitment:

Global Distribution and Warehousing is committed to fair and accessible employment practices across all stages of the employment cycle.

Global Distribution and Warehousing will take the necessary steps to continue to meet the requirements of the IASRs relating to recruitment, individual accommodation plans and return to work process and performance management, and career development.

Actions Planned / Taken

- Global Distribution and Warehousing will continue to notify the public and staff that, when
 requested, Global will accommodate people with disabilities during the recruitment and
 assessment processes and when people are hired.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will inform applicants about the availability of accommodations when called for an interview, during the selection process, at the time of the job offer and as soon as practicable during the orientation of the new employee.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will continue to update job posting templates to include an accessibility statement.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will also review existing recruitment policies, procedures, and processes to ensure compliance.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will review employment-related policies and procedures to ensure they meet legislated requirements.
- Return to work, employee accommodations, and redeployment practices will also be set out in a document.

Informing Employee of Supports

- Global Distribution and Warehousing will continue to inform current and new employees, volunteers, and other stakeholders, as soon as practicable after they begin employment, of the policies supporting employees, volunteers, and other staff with disabilities.
- Global Distribution and Warehousing will keep employees, volunteers, and other staff up to date on the changes to policies/procedures relating to accommodation.

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For More Information

For more information on this accessibility plan, please contact us using any of these options:

• By email: <u>info@globalwhse.com</u>

• By Phone: 905-670-0009

In person

• By website 'contact us' form at globalwhse.com

Our accessibility plan is publicly-posted at the Shipping Office hallway information board and on our website for public consumption.

Standard and accessible formats of this document are free on request from the Human Resources Department.

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CHANGE LOG

Date	Supersedes	Reason	Name
November 7, 2014	None	Regulation Requirements	S. B.
November 24, 2017	v1.0	Changes for compliance reporting Dec. 31, 2017. Include hiring, return to work and employee accommodations for people with disabilities	S. B.
June 11, 2021	v2017.1	Review and Change content to match current status	S. B.
March 25, 2022	v2021.1	Add: Logo and company information to page 2 Add: For More Information section	M. H.

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