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Pioneers in
Exotic Mushroom
Cultivation

Affidavit

I am aware that making a false affidavit may be punishable by imprisonment or a fine. I hereby affirm the following on oath for submission to the court in proceedings concerning the classification of *Coriolus versicolor*:

I. Personal details:

David Law, a U.S. citizen domiciled in California, USA, is the President & CEO of Gourmet Mushrooms, Inc. (**GMI**) a California, corporation in the United States of America. The company was founded by the undersigned along with several partners who are now retired or have left the company. I am the sole proprietor of the company today. The California corporation number is 0817802 with a federal employer identification number (EIN) of 94-2486729.

II. On the matter:

GMI, established in 1977 for the cultivation of fresh Shiitake mushrooms (*Lentinula edodes*) and mushroom based health food products. The company markets fresh mushrooms to the culinary trades and health food products to the nutraceutical trades as raw materials. The health food products have been marketed in the US and globally in both Asia and Europe since the late 1970's and early 1980's.

GMI has been cultivating more than 20 mushroom health food species over the years. The top 5 mushroom varieties include *Ganoderma lucidum*, *Lentinula edodes*, *Bionectria ochroleuca*, *Coriolus (Trametes) versicolor* and *Grifola frondosa*. These top 5 species have been in production since the inception of the company. Approximate 15% of **GMI**'s health food products has been sold internationally in both Asia (Singapore, Japan, Malaysia, and Hong Kong) and Europe (mainly United Kingdom). During the early 1990 and before 1995, the volume of the top 5 mushrooms shipped to Europe totalled approximately 1,200 kilograms per annum. *Coriolus versicolor* would have been 20% of the exported quantity or about 240 kilogram per annum, i.e. a total of around 1680 kg of *Coriolus versicolor* were probably imported up to 1997."

GMI's financial records older than 20 years is no longer available. The information above is compiled from production records and other relevant data. The quantity of materials shipped is an estimation based on the undersigned best effort.

Sebastopol, December 11, 2023

Place, Date

David Law