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ENVIRONMENT/AGRIBUSINESS – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE: ESTABLISHMENT OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES, ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS TO MAINTAIN FOOD SUPPLY AND SECURITY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

On March 27, 2020, the Ministry of Agriculture ("MAPA") published Ordinance No. 116 ("Ordinance"), establishing the essential services, activities and products to maintain the operation of the food and beverage production chains, guaranteeing the supply and food security of the Brazilian population during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Among the services, activities and products mentioned in the Ordinance, we highlight:

- transportation and delivery of general cargo;
- production and distribution of food, beverages and agricultural supplies with special attention to the transport and sale of perishable goods;
- processing establishments for agricultural products;
- commercialization of agricultural supplies, veterinary drugs, vaccines, genetic material, supplements, pesticides, seeds and agricultural products.
- Municipal, State and Federal ports, logistics establishments, railroads and roads used for transportation of food, beverages and agricultural inputs;
- Gas stations, restaurants, convenience stores, please used for rest and hygiene with minimum infrastructure for truck drivers and for the traffic of trucks along the roads of the entire country.

Further, the Ordinance provides that all activities must comply with the minimum safety guidelines established by the Ministry of Health to contain the progress of COVID-19.

Veirano's agribusiness/environmental team is highly experienced on the subject and is available to provide further clarification.

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