

## Truth in Testimony Disclosure Form

In accordance with Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)\* of the *Rules of the House of Representatives*, witnesses are asked to disclose the following information. Please complete this form electronically by filling in the provided blanks.

Committee: Agriculture

Subcommittee: Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research

Hearing Date: 03/29/2022

Hearing Title :

"A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Horticulture and Urban Agriculture"

Witness Name: Marc Oshima

Position/Title: Co-Founder and Chief Marketing Officer

Witness Type:  Governmental  Non-governmental

Are you representing yourself or an organization?  Self  Organization

If you are representing an organization, please list what entity or entities you are representing:

AeroFarms

### **FOR WITNESSES APPEARING IN A NON-GOVERNMENTAL CAPACITY**

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

Are you a fiduciary—including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent—of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing? If so, please list the name of the organization(s) or entities.

Marc Oshima is Board Chair of CEA Food Safety Coalition

AeroFarms is a Member of Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research Precision Indoor Plants (PIP) Consortium

Please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the hearing's subject matter that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the source and amount of each grant or contract.

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Funding:  
SBIR Phase 1 (\$100k): Stomatal Conductance  
SBIR Phase 1 and 2 (\$700k): Ratooning

Please list any contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government and related to the hearing's subject that you, the organization(s) you represent, or entities for which you serve as a fiduciary have received in the past thirty-six months from the date of the hearing. Include the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment.

ADIO - Incentive program funded by an affiliate of the Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO) which is funded by the government of Abu Dhabi: Reimbursement of 100% of all direct costs incurred of up to \$13.6M and rebates of up to 75% of certain additional costs incurred to establish and operate a R&D Centre in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi focused on genetic phenotyping and organoleptic research. Total grant and rebate payments are not to exceed \$76.5M through the incentive period which ends March 22, 2025. To date, approximately \$15M of requests for reimbursement have been submitted.

BIRD - Grant made by the Israel-United States Binational Industrial Research & Development Foundation (BIRD), a legal entity formed by agreement between the government of the State of Israel and the government of the United States of America to promote and support joint non-defense industrial research and development activities of mutual benefit to the sponsoring countries:

A conditional cost sharing grant of \$850K of which AeroFarms received \$425k direct benefit to jointly develop with Juganu (an Israel-based LED company) a "Tunable White Spectrum SMART LED Based Fixture for Automated Horticultural Processes" LED lighting product for commercial sale. The grant covered up to 50% of eligible development costs, and it is repayable should the product be successfully commercialized. The grant has been fully received.

Please complete the following fields. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

- I have attached a written statement of proposed testimony.
- I have attached my curriculum vitae or biography.

\* Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5), of the U.S. House of Representatives provides:

(5)(A) Each committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, require witnesses who appear before it to submit in advance written statements of proposed testimony and to limit their initial presentations to the committee to brief summaries thereof.

(B) In the case of a witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity, a written statement of proposed testimony shall include— (i) a curriculum vitae; (ii) a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts, grants, or payments originating with a foreign government, received during the past 36 months by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness and related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (iii) a disclosure of whether the witness is a fiduciary (including, but not limited to, a director, officer, advisor, or resident agent) of any organization or entity that has an interest in the subject matter of the hearing.

(C) The disclosure referred to in subdivision (B)(iii) shall include— (i) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.

(D) Such statements, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form 24 hours before the witness appears to the extent practicable, but not later than one day after the witness appears.