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FRANKLIN FOODS RECEIVES HIGHEST LEVEL OF SAFE QUALITY FOOD CERTIFICATION (SQF)

Franklin Foods' Vermont and Arizona Manufacturing Facilities Achieve SQF 2000 Level 3

Delray Beach, FL— April 17, 2014 - Franklin Foods, the world's fastest growing cream cheese company, announced today it has received the highest level of certification by the Safe Quality Food Institute (SQF) for both its Casa Grande, Arizona and Enosburg Falls, Vermont facilities. The SQF 2000 Level 3 certification is the highest level possible for food safety and quality, and is recognized by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI), whose aim is, "safe food for consumers everywhere."

The Safe Quality Food Institute (SQFI), a division of Food Marketing Institute (FMI), administers the SQF program. SQF is a leader in global food safety, quality certification, and management systems. The SQF Program provides "independent certification that a suppliers food safety and quality management system complies with international and domestic food safety regulation." This according to SQF, "enables suppliers to assure their customers that food has been produced, processed and handled according to the highest possible standards, at all levels of the supply chain."

"We are very proud to be an SQF 2000 Level 3 corporation, and could not have achieved this world-class certification without the dedication and commitment of both our Arizona and Vermont teams. We are now positioned to drive our domestic and international plans for our rapidly growing Greek Cream Cheese brand, Food Service, Retail Private Label and International business," said Jon Gutknecht, President and CEO of Franklin Foods.

About Franklin Foods

Franklin Foods', corporate offices are located in Delray Beach, FL, with manufacturing facilities in Enosburg Falls, Vermont and Casa Grande, AZ. Franklin Foods is a Safe Quality Foods (SQF) Level 3 Certified manufacturer. Franklin Foods began producing cheese in 1899 using fresh milk and cream from nearby farms. Today, the Franklin Foods tradition of top quality, delicious taste and dairy innovation continues. Franklin Foods is the fastest growing cream cheese producer in the World and continues on its mission to "Re-Invent Cream Cheese® for today's consumers." Franklin Foods' award-winning products are distributed to industrial, institutional, foodservice, private label, supermarket and club store accounts across the United States and numerous international markets. For more information visit: www.franklinfoods.com

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