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Franklin Foods Awarded Business of the Year for 2010

Innovative Vermont dairy manufacturer acknowledged for job creation and capital investment in largest dairy county in New England

ENOSBURG FALLS, Vt.— Nov 19, 2010 — [Franklin Foods](http://www.franklinfoods.com), a leading manufacturer and marketer of cream cheese and cream cheese based products announces it has received Vermont’s “Franklin County Business of the Year” for 2010. This award is given by the Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation. John Ovitt, general manager of Franklin Foods, accepted the award.

According to Tim Smith, executive director of FCIDC, “The business award focuses on community involvement, job retention, employee development and manufacturing investment.”

“We are very proud to be located in New England’s largest dairy milk shed and to be acknowledged by the FCIDC for our company commitment to our employees, community and manufacturing facility investments. This award is especially important to the entire Franklin Foods team since Franklin County is the largest dairy manufacturing sector in Vermont,” said Rocco Cardinale, director of marketing.

About Franklin Foods

[Franklin Foods](http://www.franklinfoods.com), Inc. is located in Enosburg Falls, Vermont’s dairy capital. Franklin Foods is a certified Safe Quality Food 2000 Level 3 dairy manufacturer. The [SQF 2000 Level 3](#) is the highest level awarded for both food quality and food safety, and it places Franklin Foods as one of only 285 five dairy processing manufacturers worldwide with this distinction. Several years ago, Franklin embarked on a strategic growth plan that included the rapid development and expansion of products targeted toward the [Retail Private Label Cream Cheese](#) category. Today, Franklin Foods is the second largest Retail Private Label manufacturer of cream cheese in the United States. Franklin is also the inventor of the patented [Yogurt Cream Cheese](#), which delivers cream cheese taste and performance with the natural benefit of reduced fat, sodium, cholesterol and calories. Franklin Foods is a full-line cream cheese supplier and distributes its award-winning products to industrial, institutional, food service, private label, supermarket and club store accounts across the United States and select international markets. For more information, visit www.franklinfoods.com

About Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation

Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation is a private, non-profit development corporation sponsored by Franklin County businesses and municipalities. The mission of FCIDC is to strengthen the economy through the creation and retention of new jobs and to build a business environment suitable to host capital investment. For more information, visit www.fcidc.com



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