CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS' 2003 CALIFORNIA TOMATO PASTE SUPPLIES & DECEMBER 1 INVENTORY

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TO U.S. TOMATO PROCESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

Listed below are the 2003 Tomato "Paste for Sale" pack and inventory as of December 1, for California Tomato Processors.

Tomato "Paste for Sale" in Drums, Bins & Bulk		
	<u>2002-2003</u>	<u>2003-2004</u>
Paste for Sale Pack	5,254,854	4,725,376
Inventory as of December 1	3,418,646	2,978,701
Total Paste Pack and Inventory		
Total Tomato Paste Pack (including "paste for sale" and paste held for companies' own remanufacture operations)		7,032,450
Total Tomato Paste Stocks as of December 1		5,886,146

<u>Paste for Sale</u> - Paste, converted to a raw product "paid for tons" equivalent, being held in drums, bins, and bulk, that has been packed to be sold. Does not include paste being held for companies' own remanufacture.

2002 Pack year statistics based on reports from processors handling 93% of California tonnage. 2003 Pack year statistics based on reports from processors handling 94% of California tonnage.