

**CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS
2009-2010 U.S. BULK TOMATO PASTE
SUPPLIES & MARCH 1 INVENTORY**

March 25, 2010

TO U.S. TOMATO PROCESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

Listed below are the 2009-2010 Bulk Tomato Paste and Bulk Tomato Paste for Sale pack and inventory as of March 1, 2010 for U.S. Tomato Processors.

Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack and Inventory

	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack (including bulk "paste for sale" and paste held for companies' own remanufacture operations)	8,993,000	10,534,000
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Inventory as of December 1	6,309,000	8,869,000
Total Bulk Tomato Paste Inventory as of March 1	4,722,000	6,475,000

Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Stock in Drums, Bins & Bulk

	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Pack	6,526,000	7,969,000
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Inventory as of December 1	3,964,000	5,448,000
Total Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" Inventory as of March 1	2,527,000	4,069,000

Bulk Tomato "Paste for Sale" is Bulk tomato paste, converted to a raw product and paid for tons equivalent, being held in drums, bins, and bulk, that has been packed to be sold. Does not include bulk paste being held for companies' own remanufacture, or paste in food service or retail/consumer package sizes.

2008-09 Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack & Inventory based on reports from processors handling 93.35% of U.S. tonnage.

2009-10 Total Bulk Tomato Paste Pack & Inventory based on reports from processors handling 93.09% of U.S. tonnage.