

## DEL MONTE FOODS TO CLOSE ITS TOMATO PROCESSING OPERATIONS IN PLYMOUTH, INDIANA

Move Will Transition Operations to Hanford, California

WALNUT CREEK, CA – September 12, 2017 – Del Monte Foods, Inc., one of the nation's largest producers, distributors and marketers of premium quality, branded food products, today announced it is closing its Plymouth, Indiana Plant facility on or about February 1, 2018.

The transition will enable Del Monte to align its operational capacity with current consumer demand for tomato products.

"Del Monte Foods is proud of its more than 35 years in Plymouth, and we thank the dedicated employees and the Plymouth community for its support over the years," said Dave Meyers, chief operating officer, Del Monte Foods. "While this decision was a difficult one, we are committed to continuing to meet consumers' ongoing demands for high quality products at a reasonable value."

As a result of the decision, approximately 107 full time employees will be impacted, beginning on or about November 10, 2017, as production will come to a close. Warehousing and distribution activities are expected to continue until February 1, 2018.

Del Monte will transition the affected tomato processing activities to its Hanford, California facility, a state-of-the-art plant which currently handles processing and production of tomato products.

## **About Del Monte Foods**

Del Monte Foods is one of the country's largest and most well-known producers, distributors and marketers of premium quality, branded food products for the U.S. retail market, generating approximately \$1.7 billion in net sales in fiscal 2017. With a powerful portfolio of brands, Del Monte products are found in six out of ten U.S. households. Brands include Del Monte®, Contadina®, S&W®, College Inn® and other brand names. The Company also produces and distributes private label food products. For more information on Del Monte Foods, visit the Company's website at <u>www.delmontefoods.com</u>.

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