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Del Monaco Specialty Foods Completes Energy Efficiency Design

Morgan Hill, California — April 5, 2010 — Vic Del Monaco, President and C.E.O. of Del Monaco Specialty Foods, announced today the completion of the Pacific Gas & Electric Savings by Design program to renovate the company's new 80,000 square foot production facility located in Morgan Hill, California. Pacific Gas and Electric's Joe Isaacs said "the facility is truly a model of efficiency that exceeded our original expectations. By implementing energy efficiency into the design of the facility Del Monaco Specialty Foods will not only experience cost savings but also a substantially lower carbon footprint for many years to come." Del Monaco's team included Tim Peterman, Vice President of Operations, and Pat Mansfield, Director of Culinary Science, working with Yin Yin Wu and Mark Richie of Base Energy, who designed the recommendations and calculated the potential energy savings. The facility is complete with high efficiency lighting, boiler, heating and air conditioning and mechanical compressor units. High efficiency refrigeration and freezer units were installed to achieve additional energy savings. Del Monaco stated "We are committed to saving energy and reducing Greenhouse emission in production of custom, natural and organic quality products for our customers". The building's energy efficient design is estimated to save over 2.9 million dollars in energy costs over a twenty-year period. Along with cost savings, the new design will reduce Greenhouse emissions to the equivalent of 110 cars, 1,342 barrels of oil and 8 tanker trucks of gasoline.

Del Monaco Specialty Foods, located in Morgan Hill, California, is a custom food manufacturer of soups, sauces, pastas, butters and other gourmet products servicing retail grocery and restaurant chains located in the Western United States.

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