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Franklin Foods Receives Highest Level of Safe Quality Food Certification (SQF)

ENOSBURG FALLS, Vt. — Nov. 12, 2009 — [Franklin Foods](#), a leading manufacturer and marketer of cream cheese based products announces it has received the highest level certification by Safe Quality Food Institute's (SQF) for its Enosburg Falls, VT facility. The SQF 2000 Level 3 certification is the highest level possible for food safety and quality and is recognized by the [Global Food Safety Initiative](#) (GFSI), who's aim is, "safe food for consumers everywhere."

According to the [Safe Quality Food Institute](#) (SQF) it is a division of the [Food Marketing Institute](#) (FMI), established to administer the SQF Program, a leading, global food safety and quality certification and management system. The Program provides independent certification that a supplier's food safety and quality management system complies with international and domestic food safety regulations. This enables suppliers to assure their customers that food has been produced, processed, prepared and handled according to the highest possible standards, at all levels of the supply chain.

"We are very proud to be acknowledged internationally for our company wide commitment to manufacturing excellence through the SQF program which requires thorough training, regular auditing, and strict protocols. Just as important it will help us build relationships with domestic and international customers and drive our growth plans in 2010," said Rocco Cardinale director of marketing.

About Franklin Foods

[Franklin Foods](#), Inc., is located in Enosburg Falls, Vermont's dairy capital. Franklin Foods began producing cheese in 1899, using fresh milk and cream from nearby farms. Today, the Franklin Foods traditions of excellent quality, delicious taste and dairy innovation continue. Franklin Foods is the fourth-largest cream cheese producer in the United States and is on a mission to Re-Invent Cream Cheese® for today's consumer. Franklin Foods' award-winning products are distributed to industrial, institutional, food service, private label, supermarket and club store accounts across the United States and in select international markets. For more information, visit [www.franklinfoods.com](#).

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