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NOTICE TO THE TRADE - DeCA NOTICE 12-36

SUBJECT: Category Plans (March and April 2012 Category Review Templates)

Reference: Notice to the Trade 12-11, DeCA MPS, December 2, 2011, Subject: Category Review Schedule.

The purpose of this Notice to the Trade (NTT) is to provide the category plans to Industry for the category reviews that will be conducted by the assigned category buyers within the Sales, Marketing and Policy Group (Semi-Perishable and Perishable Divisions) during the months of March and April 2012.

The scheduled category reviews for March include plans for Pickles, Relish, and Peppers, Prepackaged Luncheon Meats, and Household Cleaners. The scheduled category reviews for April include Oral Care, Bath Tissue, Gondola Confections (Candy/Gum/Mints), and Frozen (IQF) Chicken.

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//signed// Christopher T. Burns Director of Sales

Attachments As stated