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AMENDMENT NO. 1

COMMODITY SPECIFICATION CANNED VEGETABLES – January 2020

The purpose of this amendment is to revise and update this commodity specification, specifically:

- Revise secondary packaging requirements
- Revise washed drained weight procedures for Cream of Mushroom Soup

Strikethroughs are deletions and additions to this commodity specification are shown in blue

Secondary Containers (tray and case) for Commercial Labels

2. Case flaps, gaps, and other openings may not exceed 1 inch and must be fully glued or sealed with tape. If tape is used in lieu of glue, it must be clear and of commercially acceptable width and strength. The tape must extend at least two inches down the sides or ends.

Alternate packaging for canned products the secondary container - tray(s) or case.

- Cases may have an opening that exceeds 1 inch if it is completely stretch- wrapped. The stretch-wrap may also have reasonably sized openings to allow for cooling.
- This alternate packaging requirement must be able to withstand normal handling, shipping, and storage and be acceptable to the common carrier

Soups

Cream of Mushroom, Condensed

- 2. Sodium content (condensed) will have a maximum of 410 mg per 1/2 cup serving.
- 3. Formulation requirements:

The WDW-percentages of ingoing mushrooms per batch will average 8.0 percent or more by weight for the lot average with no individual batch percentage falling under 7.0 percent by weight. The percentages of mushrooms will be determined by SCI reviewing the vendor's product formula and relevant individual batch records.

After reconstituting and heating the soup (per label instructions):

a. The mushrooms will be fairly tender and will not be excessively tough, rubbery, or soft. **And there will be some visible pieces of mushrooms that are 3/16 inches in diameter or larger.**

7. Washed drained weight (WDW):

See formulation requirements for mushroom percentages required.

Be advised all soups will be moved to a stand-alone specification soon.

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.