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Re: Pure Food Grade Source - COO, FSMA, CODEX

This memorandum confirms that all sugar sold by United Sugar Producers and Refiners (United) meets FDA regulations as a food-grade product for human consumption, is produced under current Good Manufacturing Practices as mandated by the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and complies with the ICH/FDA guide Q3C for Residual Solvents.

All of the sugar sold by United is produced in the United States. Most of this product is also grown by U.S. farmers. Some sugar cane purchased is grown outside the United States. In the event this occurs; available materials and vendors go through our vendor approval program and countries would follow Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ). TRQs strictly control U.S. sugar imports. The volume of these quotas is established annually by USDA, and the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) allocates the TRQs among countries.

Every manufacturing facility that is a part of United maintains a documented Food Safety plan following FSMA regulations.

Sugar sold by United meets CODEX Alimentarius standards for sucrose and is not less than 99.85% pure. As such, there can be no additives, preservatives, residual solvents, or other ingredients. United's sugar purity levels typically exceed 99.95%.

Regarding brown sugar products, all products meet CODEX Alimentarius standards. The molasses syrup used in brown sugar is produced in the United States and meets all government and industry standards for food-grade products.

Regarding powdered sugar, all products meet CODEX Alimentarius standards. The starch used in powdered sugar is sourced from the United States. Starches used meet all government and industry standards for food-grade products.

Granulated, powdered, and brown sugar products are packaged in bags that meet all government and industry standards for materials meant to come in direct contact with food.

Please call or write if you have any questions or concerns. United Sugar Producers and Refiners is committed to continued service to our valued customers.

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