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FARIBAULT FOODS BUILDING MOST MODERN BEAN CANNING FACILITY IN THE U.S.

New facility will ensure premium quality products, smart use of natural resources and versatility for branded, private label and co-manufactured canned beans.

FARIBAULT, Minn., November 13, 2016 – Faribault Foods, well known for high quality canned foods available nationwide as branded, private label and co-manufactured products, is investing over \$135 million in a new manufacturing facility in Faribault, Minn. The plant will be nearly one million square feet and use less water, electricity and natural gas per case than the current plant. Electricity usage will be reduced with daylight harvesting, energy efficient LED lights with motion sensors, and high efficiency variable frequency drives. New high efficiency boilers will reduce natural gas usage. Operations will begin September of 2017.

The new facility will be SQF Level 3 certified, QAI/USDA Organic certified, USDA certified and gluten free. Faribault Foods is the largest canner of U.S. grown organic beans, and the new facility is located in the country's most plentiful bean growing region. The new plant offers tremendous versatility, including the ability to produce canned beans of all types (variety, baked, refried and organic), multiple can sizes (15oz-50oz), and a variety of case configurations in both clear and registered printed film.

Faribault Foods has been a presence in Minnesota for over 120 years. The new location will combine three separate Faribault facilities under one roof, including can manufacturing, canning, labeling, storage and distribution. The facility is complemented by a 532,000 square foot state-of-the-art operation in Tucson, Ariz. and a 177,000 square foot operation in Cokato, Minn.

"This is an exciting project for Faribault Foods, demonstrating our commitment to the Faribault community and our commitment to manufacturing great-tasting, healthy and affordable food sold throughout the US and abroad," said Albert Hoflack, President and CEO of Faribault Foods.

About Faribault Foods

Faribault Foods has a strong reputation as a trusted supplier of branded, store-brand, and co-manufactured products. Branded products include S&W® Beans, Sun Vista®, Luck's®, Kuner's®, KC Masterpiece® Baked Beans, Mrs. Grimes®, Butter Kernel®, Chilli Man®, Kern's®,

Totis®, Pride and Pasta Select®. The company also has a strong store-brand business in canned beans, chili and pasta, in addition to long-standing contract manufacturing partnerships with top branded companies.

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Editor's Note:

The following images are available for download at:

- <https://faribaultfoods.imagerelay.com/sb/media-images>
- Faribault Foods logo
- Renderings of the new facility
- Pictures of products made by Faribault Foods

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