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SUBJECT: POSITION ON GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS (GMOs)

Tree Top is a fruit-processing cooperative owned by U.S. apple and pear growers in the Pacific Northwest. We maintain regular monitoring of federally approved GMO fruits to ensure our policies and procedures accurately reflect our position.

We fully believe in the consumer's right to know what's in their food and we support the creation of federal transparent labeling laws.

We are in full agreement with the US Apple Association's position which, "Supports the consumer choice in selecting the apples and apple products they purchase. Consumer demand will determine the future of GMO apples in the U.S. marketplace."

Other fruits needed beyond those available from our own grower-owners are purchased from commercial growers producing industry-standard, traditional fruit varieties and are sourced from suppliers certifying non-GMO fruit.

Certain ingredients such as High Fructose Corn Syrup and beet sugar, as well as some processing aids used in very small quantities may contain bioengineered DNA. All ingredients are listed on the ingredient statement and whenever possible, non-GMO sources are utilized.

Again, Tree Top supports transparent labeling and we are more than happy to inform consumers about the simple ingredients in our healthful, fruit-based products.

Sincerely,

Keith Gomes
President & CEO