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## Passport Food Group Announces Sale of Pasta Manufacturing Facility

LOS ANGELES (November 16, 2012) - Passport Food Group, LLC today announced that it has closed a transaction to sell it's Chino, California based dry Italian pasta manufacturing operation to Maplegrove Gluten Free Foods, based in Fontana, California. The facility was used to produce dry pasta for Royal Angelus Macaroni Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Passport Food Group.

The sale was part of Passport's strategic decision to focus exclusively on the Asian food market, where it has a strong presence with the company's Wing Hing Foods subsidiary. According to Dave Abrams, CEO of Passport Food Group, "We believe we have an opportunity to become the leader in Southeast Asian foods for the foodservice marketplace, but to capture that opportunity is going to require a laser beam focus on the goal. We are very grateful to the customers and suppliers who supported our efforts in the Italian pasta business, and we are pleased that Maplegrove will continue to build on those efforts in the Chino facility"

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

## **About Passport Food Group**

Passport Food Group is the holding company of Asian food manufacturer Wing Hing Foods (www.winghing.com). For more information about Passport, please visitwww.passportfood.com or contact Dave Abrams at 909-203-7803.