



BATORY FOODS TO OPEN STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY IN WILMINGTON, IL INITIATES PARTNERSHIP WITH FONTERRA AS ITS THIRD PARTY LOGISTICS PROVIDER

Des Plaines, Ill. (March 18, 2016)—This May, Batory Foods breaks ground on a 678,000-square-foot facility in Wilmington, IL. There, Batory will launch a new line of business, providing third party logistics services to key suppliers, beginning November 2016.

Fonterra, a leading multinational dairy company, chose Batory as its new third-party logistics provider in Illinois and will be serviced out of this new location. As Fonterra's largest U.S. distributor, Batory is uniquely positioned to provide a superior third-party logistics service experience.

Outfitted in state-of-the-art technology, the facility will stay ahead of the regulatory curve, including increased regulation from the Food Safety Modernization Act and regulating bodies involved in both Quality and Employee Safety.

"Not only does the technology give us an edge from a business perspective," says Jessica Stoja, Operations Project Manager, Batory. "It allows us to meet and exceed world-class standards in food safety, security and employee safety."

Some technology upgrades will include custom-built food grade dock packages, which bolster environmental controls and provide increased food safety. These allow trailer seals to be both sealed and unsealed inside the facility. Yard managements and an automatic gate system will decrease carrier cycle time on-site and increase throughput, providing up-to-the-minute accuracy in inventory availability. The distribution center will be C-TPAT Certified.

The site will also include features to support wellness among the company's most valuable resources: its people. An employee walking track and outdoor employee amenities space will enhance the Employee Wellness program and overall employee engagement.

ABOUT BATORY FOODS

Founded in 1979, Batory Foods offers the industry's largest portfolio of food, nutraceutical and fine ingredients for U.S. food and beverage manufacturers. Our national system of warehouses and distribution centers, based on best-in-class logistics, speeds products to your door. Batory's experienced sales representatives work with an abiding commitment to excellence in customer service. Batory's network of distribution facilities serves thousands of customers and spans the full food industry spectrum. (www.batoryfoods.com)

ABOUT FONTERRA

Fonterra is a global, co-operatively-owned company with its roots firmly planted in New Zealand's rich land, working to unlock every drop of goodness from the 22 billion litres of milk we collect each year and sharing it with the world. (www.fonterra.com)