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**USDA Buy American Provision – Quaker®/Pearl Milling Company™/Near East® Products**

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (“NSLA”) contains a “Buy American” provision (Section 12(n)) essentially requiring that school food authorities (“SFAs”) purchase domestically grown and processed food products. The NSLA defines a “domestic” commodity or product as one that is produced and processed in the United States and substantially uses agricultural commodities that are also produced in the United States. USDA further relies on one of the reports accompanying the legislation to interpret the term “substantially,” as used above, to require that over 51% of the final processed product consists of agricultural commodities that were grown domestically.

There are two exceptions to the Buy America provision that allow for the purchase of products that do not meet the provision’s definition of a domestic product: 1) the product is not produced or manufactured in the U.S. in a sufficient and reasonably available quantity or a satisfactory quality; or 2) competitive bids reveal the costs of a U.S. product are significantly higher than the non-domestic products.

**As of the date set forth above, the products listed directly below are processed in our domestic facilities and have at least 51% U.S. content, and therefore qualify under the Richard B. Russell B. National School Lunch Act’s Buy American provision for purchasing food and food products used in the Child Nutrition Programs.**

**Quaker®/Pearl Milling Company™ Grits, Cornmeal, Masa Harina and Near East® Grains**

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| 04378/04160/04190 | Quaker® Quick White Grits                    |
| 26590/56198       | Quaker® Instant Quick Grits Express – Butter |
| 57377             | Pearl Milling Company™ Old Fashioned Grits   |
| 04138/04760       | Quaker® Instant Grits Original               |
| 03790             | Quaker® Instant Grits Butter Flavored        |
| 57376             | Pearl Milling Company™ Yellow Cornmeal       |
| 57020             | Quaker® Enriched Yellow Cornmeal             |
| 03890/03888       | Quaker® Masa Harina Preparada                |
| 02978             | Quaker® Masa Harina                          |
| 02053             | Near East® Tabouleh                          |
| 00030/00146       | Near East® Spanish Rice Pilaf Mix            |
| 02052             | Near East® Couscous                          |
| 05014/02051       | Near East® Rice Pilaf Mix                    |
| 02066             | Near East® Quinoa Rosemary & Olive Oil       |

**Quaker® Rice Crisps and Large Rice Cakes**

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| 43381 | Quaker® Rice Crisps Caramel Flavored                                 |
| 57759 | Quaker® Rice Crisps Buttermilk Ranch Flavored                        |
| 57758 | Quaker® Rice Crisps Apple Cinnamon Flavored                          |
| 16901 | Quaker® Large Rice Cakes Plain Lightly Salted                        |
| 16947 | Quaker® Large Rice Cakes Chocolate Naturally & Artificially Flavored |
| 16900 | Quaker® Large Rice Cakes Apple Cinnamon                              |

**Quaker® Chewy Granola Bars**

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| 31182 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Chocolate Chip (.84 oz.)             |
| 31186 | Quaker® Chunk Chewy Granola Bar Dark Chocolate Chunk (.84 oz.) |
| 31180 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Oatmeal Raisin (.84 oz.)             |

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| 31184 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip (.84 oz.)               |
| 31175 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Reduced Sugar Chocolate Chip (.84 oz.)               |
| 31187 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Reduced Sugar Cookies and Cream (.84 oz.)            |
| 31176 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Reduced Sugar Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip (.84 oz.) |
| 31181 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar S'Mores (.84 oz.)                                    |
| 31188 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Variety Pack (CC, OR, PB CC, S'mores)                |
| 56587 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Chocolate Chunk – Foodservice Tote (1.41 oz.)        |
| 56586 | Quaker® Chewy Granola Bar Cookies & Cream – Foodservice Tote (1.37 oz.)        |

**As of the date set forth above, the products listed directly below are processed in our domestic facilities; however, raw oats are not available in the U.S. in sufficient quantities and of a satisfactory quality to support commercial demand.**

**Quaker® Oats, Instant Quick Oats, Ready-to-Eat Cereal**

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| 43661       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Regular/Original Flavor Box                       |
| 31678/56729 | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Apples & Cinnamon                                 |
| 31208/56732 | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Cinnamon & Spice                                  |
| 43665       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Maple & Brown Sugar Box                           |
| 31684/56849 | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal VP (4 MBS, 2 CINN SPICE, 4 APPLE CINN)            |
| 31682       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal VP (20 MBS, 12 CINN SPICE, 16 APPLE CINN, 16 REG) |
| 43285       | Quaker® Quick Oats Canister   |
| 43293       | Quaker® Old Fashioned Oats Canister                                       |
| 43269       | Quaker® Steam Table/Hearty Oats Canister                                  |
| 32063/56543 | Quaker® Steel Cut Oats Bulk   |
| 32093       | Quaker® Steel Cut Quick Oats - Bulk                                       |
| 20124       | Buckeye Old Fashioned Oats Bag - Bulk                                     |
| 20164       | Buckeye Quick Rolled Oats Bag - Bulk                                      |
| 31971       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Maple & Brown Sugar – 24 ct.          |
| 56204       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Maple & Brown Sugar – 12 ct.          |
| 31973       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Apples & Cinnamon – 24 ct.            |
| 56208       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Apples & Cinnamon – 12 ct.            |
| 56205       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Honey & Almonds                       |
| 56211       | Quaker® Instant Oatmeal Express Cup Apples & Cranberry                    |
| 43141/06119 | Life® Cereal Regular/Original   |
| 06083       | Life® Cereal Cinnamon   |

**As of the date set forth above, the products listed directly below are primarily produced in U.S. facilities and contain at least 51% U.S. ingredients; however, at high demand the products may be produced in our Canadian facility using wheat of Canadian origin.**

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| 65810 | Pearl Milling Company™ Original Pancake & Waffle Mix   |
| 63266 | Pearl Milling Company™ Complete Pancake Mix            |
| 63272 | Pearl Milling Company™ Complete Buttermilk Pancake Mix |
| 57374 | Pearl Milling Company™ Belgian Waffle Mix              |

I verify the information above is accurate.

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