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Subject: Release of the Fourth Quarter Cocoa Grindings for 2009

NOTE: The Cocoa Grinds Report supplied by the National Confectioners Association has changed. Beginning with the First Quarter 2009 report, the report covers cocoa grinds for North America, including Canada, Mexico and the USA. Fourth Quarter 2008 figures have been recalculated to reflect the historical data. In addition, the reports no longer include Liquor and Butter Melted. New reporting companies and plants have been added (see attached).

This letter will confirm the fourth quarter 2009 statistics given to the I.C.E. Futures U.S.

	In Metric Tons		Increase (Decrease)	
	2009	2008	Amount	%
Cocoa Beans Ground	111,986	113,734	(1,748)	(1.54)
Aggregate Number of Plants Reporting	19	19	0	0.00

Attached is a list of companies who responded to the survey this quarter.

Quarterly Grindings Report Release Date Schedule for Remainder of 2010:

1 st Quarter 2010	04/15/10
2 nd Quarter 2010	07/15/10
3 rd Quarter 2010	10/14/10



LIST OF COMPANIES

ADM Cocoa

Barry Callebaut

The Blommer Chocolate Co

Cargill Cocoa & Chocolate Co

ECOM

Ghirardelli Chocolate Co

Guittard Chocolate Co

The Hershey Company

Mars Chocolate North America

Nestle Chocolate & Confections

World's Finest Chocolate, Inc.