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Subject: Release of First Quarter Cocoa Grindings for 2016

	In Metric Tons		Increase (Decrease)	
	2016	2015	Amount	%
Cocoa Beans Ground	118,790	121,508	(2,718)	(2.24)
Aggregate Number of Plants Reporting	17	17	0	0.00

The Cocoa Grinds Report supplied by The National Confectioners Association has changed. Beginning with the report for the First Quarter 2009, the report will cover grinds for North America, including Canada, Mexico and the USA. In addition, the reports will no longer include Liquor and Butter Melted. New reporting companies and plants have been added (see attached).

Note: Due to the changes in ownerships of a manufacturing process, some of the prior year amounts have been combined.

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

Quarterly Grindings Report Release Date Schedule for 2016

Second Quarter 2016: Report Release Date is July 14, 2016

Third Quarter 2016: Report Release Date is October 20, 2016

Fourth Quarter 2016: Report Release Date is January 19, 2017





LIST OF COMPANIES

RESPONDING TO FIRST QUARTER OF 2016 COCOA PRODUCTS USE SURVEY

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

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