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Subject: Release of Fourth Quarter Cocoa Grindings for 2017

	In Metric Tons		Increase (Decrease)	
	2017	2016	Amount	%
Cocoa Beans Ground	116,080	117,588	(1,508)	(1.28)
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 change in ownership 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 2018:

First Quarter 2018: Report Release Date is April 19, 2018

Second Quarter 2018: Report Release Date is July 19, 2018

Third Quarter 2018: Report Release Date is October 18, 2018

Fourth Quarter 2018: Report Release Date is January 17, 2019





LIST OF COMPANIES

RESPONDING TO FOURTH QUARTER OF 2017 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 Wrigley Confectionery

Nestlé

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