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To whom it may concern:

Allergen Statement:

Catania-Spagna's refined, bleached, and deodorized (RBD) oils do not contain any proteinaceous material and, therefore, are not considered allergenic. The high temperature and filtration used in the RBD process effectively removes any proteins, the potentially allergenic material from the oil. Furthermore, refined oils do not require allergen labeling under the Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004 (FALCPA). This includes our refined soybean, refined peanut and refined sesame oils. None of our oils contain eggs, milk, wheat, fish, or crustacean fish.

Allergen Cross-Contamination Prevention:

Catania-Spagna has 2 products, which the FDA considers major food allergens, in our facility. Macadamia Nut Oil is NOT run through any of the production lines, and only sold prepackaged in drums.

Soy Lecithin, a food additive, is stored in a secured area next to the laboratory, away from production areas. It is added using disposable utensils into one-way bins only.

Thus, potential allergenic materials are produced using designated storage and processing; the risk of contamination is extremely low. Oils containing allergenic material are never allowed for rework. Flush oils containing allergens are disposed of as Inedible oil. All containers containing allergens are segregated and labeled accordingly.

Allergens applicable to countries of destination:

Toasted Sesame Oil contains sesame, which is considered a major food allergen in Canada and Europe. Catania receives this product pre-packaged. Product which Catania ships to Canada is labeled "May contain traces of Sesame." We do not run this oil on any production line; nor do we allow it for rework. Catania's oils have low moisture content (< 0.05%), and have been processed at elevated temperatures, and lack nutrients essential to support growth of most microorganisms. Organisms considered food-borne pathogens or of concern from a quality standpoint are not able to proliferate in oil. Catania packages oil in a closed and sealed system offering little opportunity for contamination from extraneous materials that might harbor pathogens and viral particles.

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