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Dear Tomato Growers:

The CTGA has reached agreement with all processors for the 2011 Tomato Price:

The terms of the agreement are as follows:

Base Price: \$68

Late Season Premiums:

- September 15 - September 21 At \$5.00 per ton.
- September 22 - September 28 At \$7.50 per ton.
- September 29- October 5 At \$10.00 per ton.
- October 6 – October 12 At \$12.50
- October 13 Through End Of Harvest At \$15.00 per ton.

All have agreed to pay on a delivered ton basis.

ConAgra growers will have the option to accept \$68 per ton on delivery or they can defer payment until January 31, 2012 in exchange for an additional \$1.00 per ton.

Morning Star, Olam & Campbell's have the same early season premium program as last year. This only applies to northern growers for Morning Star and Olam.

CLFP June Inventory Report:

	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>	<u>10 VS 11</u>
June 1 Inventory	4,393,000	4,400,000	5,743,000	+30%
Pack	<u>12,306,000</u>	<u>13,971,000</u>	<u>12,776,000</u>	<u>-8%</u>
Total Supply	16,699,000	18,371,000	18,519,000	<1%
June 1 Inventory	<u>4,400,000</u>	<u>5,743,000</u>	<u>6,252,000</u>	<u>+8%</u>
12 Month Disappearance	12,299,000	12,628,000	12,267,000	-3%
Monthly Disappearance	1,025,000	1,052,000	1,022,000	-3%

Questions or comments?

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- Movement for the year was down 3%.
- Paste For Sale inventory decreased from 3,206,000 last year to 3,076,000 for this year.
- Paste for remanufacture inventory increased from 929,000 last year to 1,325,000 for this year.
- Paste exports are currently ahead of last year by 15% thru April. This represents an increase of approximately 210,000 tons. Once the May export numbers are available we will post the total year end results.

Unusual Weather Continues In Northern Part Of The State:

The unusual weather continues in California with a winter like storm that had the greatest impact with the northern part of the state. Reports from the field have rainfall that ranged from 1-2 inches in a span of 12 hours. While the impact on the crop is unknown at this time, it has many concerned about fields that were already impacted by bacterial spec. Growers were applying fungicides to minimize the damage. This coincides with an abnormally cool and wet spring that has the start of harvest pushed back at least 7-10 days, and in some areas even more.

Extend Ag Available to CTGA Members:

CTGA has an agreement with John Deere which was purchased by Constellation Software to pay the ExtendAg Grower Delivery Reporting (GDR) transaction fees for all of their member growers through 2012.

CTGA member growers:

- CTGA is paying the GDR transaction fees for their members
 - CTGA member growers are responsible for paying their own setup fees and additional user license fees
- If you have not already done so, indicate that you are a CTGA grower on the form and **fax to PTAB (530) 759-7504**. The Grade Access for 2011 is attached.

Informative Webinar Available Regarding I-9 Compliance:

A member sent this link regarding the updated I-9 requirements and guidelines. The webinar covers in detail how to properly fill out i-9 forms and the mistakes to avoid in order to reduce the chance of audits. There has been a change of focus in the government from the illegal worker, to the employer that may have inadvertently hired them. Non-compliance can result in fines and the amount of audits have increased over the last year. Please take a moment to view the video as it may help you avoid problems in the future. <http://www.growingproduce.com/gptv/?vid=292>



2011 GROWER INFO ACCESS

Please fill out **one form for each grower entity** and mail or fax it back to us at least 7 days before you wish to access information from the grade stations. Thank you.

Grower Name: _____

Grower Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

_____ Please check here if you are a **CTGA** member and want PTAB to share your load information with the California Tomato Growers Association. (By checking here, all pertinent load information associated with the Grower Code listed for the years **2007-2011** will be sent to CTGA.)

I want PTAB to send my grower code and password to the above address or fax number (**Do not write in a password**).

Name of Grower Representative

Signature of Grower Representative

Date

If you have had problems in the past with multiple grower numbers or any other issues, please call us at (530) 759-7501 as soon as possible so we can try to solve the problem before the season starts. Our fax number is (530) 759-7504.

PTAB will fill in the following and fax the information back to you:

Grower Code: _____

Password: _____