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JC Ford Joins Middleby: Advancing Tortilla and Tortilla Chip Manufacturing Together

JC Ford is pleased to announce that it has joined Middleby Food Processing, a world leader in developing advanced innovation and solutions for commercial food service, residential, and industrial food processing.

For nearly 80 years, JC Ford has been dedicated to serving the tortilla and chip manufacturing industry with innovative equipment and reliable support. This acquisition represents a step forward in expanding our capabilities and enhancing the service we provide to our customers.

Commitment to Customers and the Industry

Since our founding, JC Ford has built its reputation on strong customer relationships, working closely with manufacturers to understand their unique production needs. Our focus has always been on more than just equipment—it's about being a partner in helping our customers achieve efficiency, quality, and growth in their production lines.

With Middleby's global resources and expertise, JC Ford will continue to deliver the solutions our customers expect, while also accelerating new developments in production technology. This collaboration enables us to offer even more comprehensive support, broader service capabilities, and faster innovation. Middleby will provide additional coverage and support for JC Ford's customers, through its 12 Middleby Worldwide (MWW) global sales, parts and service offices. Consistent with Middleby's decentralized operational philosophy, Scott Ruhe will continue to lead the Company with the existing management team into the future.

Spotlight on Proven Equipment

As we continue to serve the industry, we remain committed to our core products that have driven tortilla and chip production forward:

- 1. **Eight-Row Corn Tortilla Line** Designed to maximize production capacity, our eight-row tortilla line offers efficiency and consistency in high-volume operations. It is engineered for ease of use and maintenance, allowing manufacturers to produce high-quality tortillas with optimal throughput and minimal downtime.
- 2. **F-450 52x52 Servo Flour Press** A robust solution for large-scale flour tortilla production, the 52x52 flour press is built for flexibility and consistent performance. It accommodates a variety of formulations and sizes, meeting the demands of high-output facilities while delivering reliable results.
- 3. **Tortilla Chip Lines** Our tortilla chip lines are designed to handle production rates ranging from 1,000 to 5,000 pounds per hour, providing manufacturers with scalable solutions to meet their growing demands. These lines are engineered for precision, energy efficiency, and reduced waste, making them ideal for both small and large operations.

Each of these machines reflects JC Ford's ongoing commitment to quality, innovation, and reliability. By focusing on proven technology, we help manufacturers achieve higher yields, consistent results, and greater efficiency in their operations.

Looking Ahead

As JC Ford embarks on this new chapter with Middleby, our focus remains on delivering innovative, customer-driven solutions. We are excited about the opportunities this acquisition brings, allowing us to better serve our customers, develop new products, and enhance the efficiency of the tortilla and chip manufacturing industry.

We look forward to continuing our partnerships, supporting your success, and leading the way in industry advancements. For more information about our equipment or the benefits of our new partnership with Middleby, please visit www.JCFord.com

