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FONA International Achieves Highest Level of Safe Quality Food Certification

GENEVA, IL September 24, 2009 – FONA International, creator and manufacturer of flavors and flavoring ingredients for the world’s leading food, beverage and nutraceutical companies, has been named a **Safe Quality Food (SQF) code 2000 Level 3 certified supplier — with an audit rating of Excellent** — by the SQF Institute, a division of the Food Marketing Institute.

The SQF Institute’s internationally-accepted global food safety and quality audits provide customers assurance that food has been handled at the highest standards throughout the supply chain.

“We are dedicated to delivering to our customers the highest quality product that meets the highest standards of safety,” said Ramesh Shah, FONA’s VP of Technical Services. “Achieving this outstanding certification highlights our commitment to quality, safety and excellence and recognizes the incredible work our people do each day to maintain our quality assurance and food safety programs.”

To earn this elite certification level, companies must uphold Good Manufacturing Practice regulations, follow the Principles and Application of Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points system and maintain food safety fundamentals that provide ongoing control of comprehensive food safety and quality management systems.

About FONA International, Inc.

Founded in 1987, FONA International creates and manufactures flavors for many of the largest food, beverage and nutraceutical companies in the world. It offers flavor solutions for the confection, sweet, culinary and beverage market segments from its state-of-the-art, 33-acre campus in Geneva, IL. FONA International has established a reputation as the forward-thinking, independent solution provider in the very competitive flavor industry. Visit fona.com.

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