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CLFP POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE IN ACTION

Alongside four other powerful ag / business associations, the California League of Food Processors' Political Action Committee (PAC) played host at a reception for Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. The event, held Friday, September 8, 2006 at the Durrer Family Barn in Modesto, was the first time the CLFP PAC participated in an affair for a statewide office. CLFP PAC members attending included: Brad Stapleton, Stapleton-Spence Packing Co. and CLFP Chairman; Paul Fanelli, Patterson Frozen

Foods, Inc.; Reuben Peterson, H.J. Heinz Company; Pat Coe, ConAgra Foods; Jim Mortensen, Del Monte Foods; and CLFP Staff, Ed Yates, Bill Grigg and Rob Neenan.

At the close of the event, Brad Stapleton and Ed Yates escorted the Governor to his awaiting motorcade. As part of the Host Committee, CLFP joined the Agriculture Council of California, California Association of Winegrape Growers, California Dairies, Inc. and the California Farm Bureau Federation in co-hosting the reception.

MEMBER SURVEY

The California League of Food Processors recently conducted a survey of its processing members to consider and confirm the status of priority issues of major concern in this multi-billion dollar food industry.

Participants in the survey continue to express energy and regulatory issues as their top priority when it comes to effectively managing their business in this State (see page 7 for more detailed results). These same two "priority" issues have been foremost on the minds of processors for the past several decades.

The results of this survey have been delivered directly to the Schwarzenegger Administration.

With each changing Administration and Legislature, activist groups camouflage their old agendas with new titles and fronts, seeking a sympathetic ear. CLFP, as it has done the past 100 years, will continue to advocate on behalf of food processors against those voices which threaten to stifle California food processing businesses.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



Thursday, August 31, 2006 was the last day of the 2005-2006 Legislative Session. Legislation either died or is now pending action by Governor Schwarzenegger. The Governor has until September 30, 2006 to sign or veto the remaining bills.

Greenhouse Gases: Global Warming Solutions Act; AB 32 (Nunez)

Would require the State Air Resources Board to adopt regulations to require the reporting and verification of statewide greenhouse gas emissions and to monitor and enforce

compliance with this requirement, to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide levels in 1990 to be achieved by 2020, to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective emissions reduction, and to adopt a source of emission fee schedule. Status: To Governor. CLFP Position: Oppose.

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REGULATORY AFFAIRS UPDATE

Air Quality

New CARB Forklift Rule – The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has passed a new rule intended to reduce NOx emissions from forklifts. The rule has two compliance schedules; one for agriculture, and one for all other businesses. Agricultural firms will have until 2016 to fully comply with the fleet emissions standards; all non-agricultural firms must be in full compliance by 2013. CARB decided to give

agricultural firms more time to comply due to the seasonal nature of the business and the tendency to have older equipment.

CARB staff recently decided that they do not want to include canner, freezer, and dehydrator plants in the special agricultural compliance schedule even though the rule specifically includes "processors and dehydrators." This is an arbitrary and unreasonable decision that

is not supported by the public record or the text of the rule. CLFP is contesting this decision and will challenge it as an underground regulation if necessary.

Proposed Diesel Truck Emissions Rule

CARB is in the process of developing a new rule to reduce particulate matter emissions from over-the-road diesel trucks with gross vehicle weight over 14,000 pounds. There

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REGULATORY ISSUES UPDATE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

are about 270,000 trucks in the state that will be covered by this rule. Depending on the age of the engine, operators will have to either retrofit or replace older equipment. CARB is considering a number of options for when, and how, the rule might be implemented. CARB would also like to extend the regulations to cover interstate and Mexican trucks that operate in California, but their jurisdiction over these operations will likely be challenged. CLFP will be working with the Farm Bureau and other groups to seek an agricultural exemption for older trucks that cannot be retrofitted and for low-use vehicles.



Energy

PG&E 2007 General Rate Case – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) is conducting hearings regarding PG&E's proposed electricity rate increases for 2007.

PG&E intends to increase residential and agricultural rates, and reduce rates for E-19 and E-20 industrial customers. CPUC recently decided to add another issue to the rate case regarding the implementation of critical peak pricing and other dynamic pricing tariffs for all customer classes. The objective is to encourage a significant reduction in power usage during peak demand periods. CLFP has been actively opposing mandatory critical peak pricing tariffs as a tax on food processing firms without the ability to shift significant amounts of load in the summer. Several CLFP members and staff recently met with PG&E and CPUC staff to discuss these issues and to encourage that an analysis be conducted regarding the economic impact of various dynamic pricing schemes.

Natural Gas Public Purpose Surcharges

– The California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) Natural Gas Program was established to provide subsidized natural gas rates for low-income households. Due to increased program participation and rising natural gas costs, the total cost of the CARE program has increased to \$160 million in 2006. In the PG&E territory, CARE costs allocated to the industrial gas customers in 2006 are almost twice as high as in 2003, and over seven times as much as in 2001. For food processing companies, the increase has been

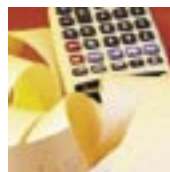
dramatic; in some cases, the CARE surcharge has grown by tenfold, and now accounts for about 55 percent of transmission rates.

To create a more equitable situation, PG&E proposed in 2005 that CARE costs be allocated to customer classes in proportion to the amount of gas transportation revenue collected from each customer class, rather than the current equal-cents-per-therm method. CLFP has been working with several other associations to urge the three major utilities to petition the CPUC to revisit the allocation of CARE surcharges.

OSHA

New Worker Heat Stress Regulations

– On June 15, the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) approved new regulations regarding outdoor workers and heat stress prevention. The new regulations require employers to provide ample water for outdoor workers, train their supervisors to avoid, detect, and respond to heat stress, have an emergency action plan, and to provide shade and short breaks for any workers that are feeling ill due to the heat. CLFP participated in the DOSH proceedings and succeeded in excluding indoor workers from this ruling. However, the agency is planning to conduct further meetings regarding potential heat stress regulations for indoor workers.



Taxes

Property Tax Exemption

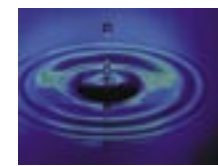
for Tomato Paste Bins – In 2005, CLFP worked with the California Board of Equalization (BOE) to

clarify the property tax status of tomato paste bins. BOE issued a written opinion stating that as long as the title to a bin changes hands with the tomato paste, then the bin is exempt from property tax. However, at least one county is challenging that decision because they believe that the bins are not containers and thus are not covered by the business inventory property tax exemption. This interpretation does not make sense because the tax code already recognizes that the bins are containers under the sales tax exemption. CLFP will be working to amend the tax code to clarify this issue and avoid any future challenges to the property tax exemption.

Solid Waste

Stanislaus County Byproduct Land Application Program

– The Stanislaus County of Environmental Resources, along with processors and growers in the County, will be conducting a study of land application of food processing solid byproducts. The objective of the study is to develop a best practices guide that could be adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board and used as the basis for a general waiver for all land application sites. The County has formed a stakeholder working group that will be guiding the study and reporting the findings to the Regional Board.



Water Resources

Revision of the CLFP Manual of Good Practice

– CLFP is continuing to work with members and

consultants to revise the Manual of Good Practice for Land Application of Food Processing Rinse Water. The objective is to develop detailed science-based recommendations that could be used by processors as a technical guide and by the Regional Water Board to establish conditions for both a general waiver program and for individual waste discharge permits. CLFP is coordinating its efforts with similar studies being conducted by the wine and dairy industries.

Storm Water Numeric Discharge Limits

– The State Water Board has conducted several meetings regarding a proposal to set numeric discharge limits in storm water permits. The Board commissioned a scientific research panel to study the issue and make recommendations. A key concern is whether the Board has sufficient data to establish numeric limits for industrial facilities and whether more research is required to better assess this issue. A group of business associations, including CLFP, have urged the Board to delay any action until a number of issues are reviewed. The Board will be conducting further workshops to solicit input from stakeholders, and CLFP will be participating in those proceedings.

For more information on regulatory issues, contact Rob Neenan at rob@clfp.com.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Electricity: Emissions of Greenhouse Gases; SB 1368 (Perata)

Would prohibit any load-serving entity, including electrical corporations, community choice aggregators and electric service providers, from entering into a long-term financial commitment for baseload generation, unless any baseload generation complies with a greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the PUC at a public hearing. Would require the Energy Commission to adopt regulations for the enforcement of greenhouse gases emission performance standards. Status: To Governor. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Minimum Wage Increase; AB 1835 (Lieber)

Would increase the minimum wage to \$7.50 per hour, effective on January 1, 2007; and to \$8.00 per hour, effective on January 1, 2008. Status: To Governor. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Air Quality – Penalties & Fines; SB 1205 (Escutia)

Would enact the Children's Breathing Rights Act to increase the maximum penalties for specified violations of air pollution laws. Would punish violations of air pollution laws that result in substantial risk of injury, and making false statements or certifications with the intent to deceive. Would require the State Air Resources Board to post on its website information on air quality violations. Status: Failed. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Air Quality – Violations, Prosecutions; SB 109 (Ortiz)

Would allow a criminal prosecution of any of certain offenses, despite the recovery of civil penalties for the same offenses. Would allow a civil action for any of certain offenses to proceed, despite the filing of a criminal complaint for the same offenses. Would require the adoption of regulations classifying certain violations as minor. Status: Failed. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Air Quality – San Joaquin Unified Air Pollution Control District; SB 999 (Machado)

Would increase the membership of the San Joaquin Unified Air Pollution Control District Board, with some appointments made by State officials. Status: Failed. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Air Quality – Particulate Matter; SB 1252 (Florez)

Would permit the Air Resources Board or any air pollution control or air quality management district, after a specified finding is made by the Secretary for Environmental Protection, to impose, in addition to any other penalties, a civil penalty per violation for any discharge of specified particulate matter which is in violation of a rule, regulation, standard, or order adopted by the Board or a district, or a permit issued by the Board or a district. Would provide for an increase in the penalty after a specified date. Status: Failed. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Workers' Compensation System – Rollback of Reforms; SB 815, AB 1368, AB 2287

These measures would do nothing but erode the core set of reforms in the Governor's landmark reforms (SB 228, AB 27, and SB 899) of a few years ago. These bills would attempt to double the Permanent Partial Disability Benefit for workers after January 1, 2007, would create a separate set of guidelines and fees for acupuncturists, among other things. Status: To Governor. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Transportation – Ports, Cargo Container Fee; SB 927 (Lowenthal)

Would require the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to develop a user fee (\$30.00 per 20' container) paid by the owner of container cargo moving through the port to be used to address security, traffic congestion and air quality issues. Status: To Governor. CLFP Position: Oppose.

Speaker Appoints Parra Ag Committee Chair:

Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez has appointed Nicole Parra, representing the 30th Assembly District (parts of Fresno, Kern, Kings, and Tulare counties) to chair the Agriculture Committee for the 2007-2008 Legislative session. Nicole is a strong supporter of California agriculture and the food processing industry.

For further information on legislative issues or concerns, contact Bill Grigg at bill@clfp.com.

PROCESSING TOUR

On Friday, August 11, 2006, the CLFP sponsored a field tour for 28 California Department of Pesticide Regulation scientists and analysts. Rick Zolezzi, a peach grower in Escalon, CA discussed horticultural and pesticide issues facing him on his ranch. The group then toured Del Monte Foods' Modesto Plant #1, which was running full bore with fruit products. A "BIG" thank you goes out to Pat McCaa, Steve Balling and Jim Mortensen with Del Monte for being our technical experts on the tour. The day concluded with a tour of Hughson Cold Storage and their grading station.



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Committee Listings & Contact Information

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SUPPLIER HOST COUNCIL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 10th Annual Supplier Host Council Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 16, 2006.

Supplier Host Council Members - gather up your foursomes and invite your favorite food processor members to join you in a fun-filled day of golf at the Brookside Country Club and enjoy an excellent opportunity to network and conduct business.

The golf tournament will be followed by a reception and awards banquet.

All proceeds benefit the Supplier Host Council Reception and Silent Auction to be held on January 30, 2007 during the Expo & Showcase of Processed Foods.

Monday, October 16, 2006
Brookside Country Club
Stockton, CA

10:00 am Registration

11:00 am Tee Time

5:00 pm Reception

\$200 - Individual

\$800 - Foursome

Includes: Green fees, cart, box lunch, beverages and reception.

For further information about the golf tournament or for information on how to become a Supplier Host Council Member, contact Lauri Laporga at (916) 444-9260 or by email at lauri@clfp.com.

CLFP MEMBER PRIORITY ISSUES-SURVEY RESULTS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)



1. Food Processors need affordable and available supplies of electricity & natural gas. *-Energy*
2. Oppose mandatory critical peak pricing of electricity for Food Processors. *-Energy*
3. Government officials (Governor, Administration officials, Legislators, Regulators) need to factor into their decision making "economic impact analysis" on all individual measures. *-Global Competition*
4. Reduce Food Processors' costs of compliance. *-Regulatory*
5. Regulators need to be less adversarial and more cooperative and collaborative in solving the State's environmental issues. *-Regulatory*
6. Food Processors have high labor costs. The State needs to maintain and improve upon recent workers' compensation system reforms. *-Workers'Comp.*
7. Support the development of new power generation and distribution systems in California. *-Energy*
8. Compliance with Air Emissions and Wastewater Discharge permits are costly and time consuming, and the regulatory processes need to be streamlined. *-Regulatory*
9. Food Processors need affordable and reliable transportation, truck, rail and shipping services. *-Transportation*
10. The State of California should establish a process for a "cumulative economic impact" on businesses which takes into account the sum of impacts from individual measures or requirements. *-Global Competition*
11. Support continued funding for industry energy conservation and efficiency programs. *-Energy*
12. The State of California should share in the research cost to find ways to protect groundwater from salinity. *-Regulatory*
13. Change how natural gas public purpose surcharges are assessed. *-Energy*
14. Food Processors are challenged to find competent and educated workers. The State needs to improve vocational and related education programs. *-Labor/Workforce*
15. Support development of LNG terminals in California. *-Energy*

Additional items of concern include:

- Immigration reform to help the workforce.
- Tax programs to encourage investments.
- Proposition 65 (acrylamide).
- National uniformity of laws affecting food.
- Oppose unreasonable restrictions on preserved foods' roll in schools and other government-supported food programs.

CLFP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Applications are now being accepted for the CLFP Student Scholarship Program for the 2006-2007 academic year.

The **deadline** to apply is **October 2, 2006**. Winners will be notified in mid-November.

Since the establishment of the CLFP Scholarship Program, over \$220,000 in financial assistance has been awarded to college students throughout the state of California.

This year, twelve scholarships will be awarded through 4 California universities, **at least fifteen scholarships are being offered** to CLFP processor member employees or their children and **one**

scholarship will be awarded to a CLFP Supplier Host Council member employee or their child.

In addition, the T. Jeffrey Boese Scholarship Fund awards a qualified individual with a **\$2,500 scholarship**. This memorial scholarship was established in memory of the late T. Jeffrey Boese who served as CLFP President from 1994-2002.

To learn about eligibility requirements or how to apply, please contact Lauri Laporga at (916) 444-9260 or by email at lauri@clfp.com.

This program is funded through proceeds from the annual Supplier Host Council Reception and Silent Auction.

WASTEWATER FUNDING

CLFP Efforts to Obtain Funding for Wastewater Research Projects...

CLFP staff traveled to Washington DC in July to meet with top USDA officials and congressional staff to discuss opportunities for obtaining federal funding for research regarding food processing wastewater issues. The USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS) has staff specializing in irrigation, salinity and food processing research, and they are interested in working with CLFP to study alternatives to lye peeling and ways to improve rinse water land application practices. In addition to the meetings in Washington DC, CLFP staff has met several times in California with ARS researchers to discuss industry concerns and research needs.

2007 EXPO AND SHOWCASE OF PROCESSED FOODS

The Expo and Showcase of Processed Foods is an annual tradeshow offering 200 plus exhibits, all-industry events, informative workshops and over 2,000 processed products on display.

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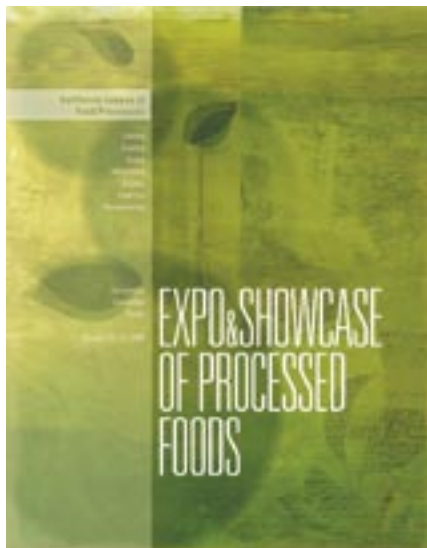


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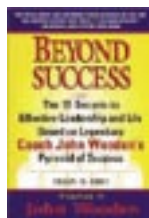
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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Monday, January 29, 2007

7:00 am–5:00 pm Exhibitor Move-In and Registration
World Processing Tomato Council Mtg.
TBD CLFP Executive Committee Mtg.
1:00 pm–3:00 pm CLFP Board of Directors' Mtg.
3:00 pm–5:00 pm CLFP Board of Directors' & Exhibitor Reception
5:00 pm–6:30 pm

Tuesday, January 30, 2007

7:00 am–4:00 pm Registration Open
8:00 am–10:00 am All-Industry Breakfast
10:00 am–4:00 pm Tradeshow Open:
Market Sample Display
Energy Pavilion
Organics / Sustainable Processes Pavilion
Hot Topics Pavilion
Regulatory Pavilion
12:00 pm–2:00 pm Northern California Institute Food Technologists Annual Luncheon
2:00 pm–4:00 pm California Olive Assn. Board of Directors' Mtg.
5:00 pm–7:00 pm CLFP Supplier Host Council Reception & Silent Auction

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

8:00 am–2:00 pm Registration Open
8:00 am–9:00 am Industry Networking Breakfast
9:00 am–2:00 pm Tradeshow Open:
Showcase Sample Display
Energy Pavilion
Organic / Sustainable Processes Pavilion
10:00 am–2:00 pm CLFP Member Tasting Pavilion

REGISTRATION

Registration materials for the 2007 CLFP Expo and Showcase of Processed Foods will be mailed and available online in October.

Details of the show will include information on a variety of all industry events, workshops and meetings.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



October 16, 2006

Supplier Host Council Golf Tournament
Brookside Country Club, Stockton

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November 13 - 14, 2006

Fall Board Meeting
The Carneros Inn, Napa

January 29 - 31, 2007

CLFP Expo and Showcase of Processed Foods
Sacramento Convention Center

April 19 - 21, 2007

CLFP Annual Meeting
Carmel Valley Ranch

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CLFP will be exhibiting at the PROCESS & PACK Expos scheduled for October 29 - November 2, 2006 at McCormick Place in Chicago. If you plan to attend, please stop by Booth 8215 to say hello.

CLFP FALL BOARD MEETING

CLFP FOOD PROCESSOR MEMBERS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS to join us at the CLFP Fall Board of Directors' Meeting. Returning to its traditional format, the meeting will be held at the sophisticated Carneros Inn in Napa on Monday and Tuesday, **November 13-14, 2006.**

Dr. Jeff Farrar, Chief of the Food and Drug Branch of the Ca. Dept. of Health Services is scheduled to present food safety updates from the Branch and the food industry in California.

Claudia Wenzing, V.P. of Development at Produce for Better Health Foundation (PBH) is scheduled to discuss the mission and activities of PBH. Their mission is to lead the way to achieving increased daily consumption of fruits and vegetables by leveraging private industry and public sector resources, influencing policy makers, motivating key consumer influencers and **promoting fruits and vegetables directly to consumers.**

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CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS

NEWS AND VIEWS

May-August, 2006

THE CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF FOOD PROCESSORS, FOUNDED IN 1905, IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT TRADE ASSOCIATION REPRESENTING PROCESSORS HAVING PRODUCTION FACILITIES IN CALIFORNIA, AND WHO ARE PRIMARILY FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROCESSORS.

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