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Natural Market-Place 2008
July 18-19th
Booth # TBA

SupplySide West 2008
October 22-24th
Booth # TBA

Bottling Line Completion

Graminex is proud to announce the completion of their long awaited automated bottling line. It is now in operation and being used for production. The additional manufacturing capability, includes faster bottling and labeling, secure shrink wrapping on individual packages, carton packing, automated insert placement, and pallet packing.

The new automated manufacturing line lets Graminex serve their customers better by giving the customer more individual choices for their bottling and packaging needs. The line will accept a large variety of bottle

sizes and well as cap varieties. The bottling line was custom designed to include options for packaging that were previously unavailable. In order to be able to offer a large variety of capping options Graminex has purchased two different capping machines. These machines will allow customers caps to either be snap on or screw on depending on their requirements and preferences. The new line offers the flexibility to handle both glass and plastic bottles.

Installation of bottling line has made it easier for Graminex to meet customers' on time delivery requirements.

New Supplier PharmaSav

Graminex LLC is pleased to introduce its newest partner PharmaSav and to welcome them as the exclusive distributor of PollenAid, containing Graminex G63 Flower Pollen Extract in the United Kingdom.

PharmaSav and Graminex have completed an exclusive distribution agreement for PollenAid in the UK to be sold under the brand name NutraFX. The first shipment of PollenAid product was successfully delivered in January.

PollenAid has been successfully registered with the UK Health Authorities. PollenAid has been granted approval for the use in regards to two health claim applications. PollenAid may be used for both improved urinary function and prostate health. This is a great achievement for Graminex's PollenAid.

PharmaSav a leading distributor of natural products in the UK and elsewhere, was founded by Don Hammond. Yvette Hastings with PharmaSav has worked very hard to achieve the approval from the UK Health Authorities, and we thank her for all her hard work. Graminex is looking forward to introducing more products to the UK with PharmaSav.



Don Hammond
Founder of PharmaSav

News Bulletin:

Graminex has received approval from Health Canada for the importation of PollenAid™ and Prostanex™. The approval includes sales to the nutraceutical and functional food industries. Graminex looks forward to continued market growth in Canada.



Supply Side West is the world's largest trade show for healthy and innovative ingredients to be marketed. It serves as an important event to make the crucial connection between manufacturers and suppliers of ingredients. This year the show was in Las Vegas, Nevada and ran November 7-8. More than 8,100 executives were present from the industry encompassing dietary supplements, cosmetics, food and pharmaceuticals.

Graminex was represented by Cynthia May, Heather May and Justin Ritter. For two days Graminex was able to present their products and ingredients to potential customers in the industry.

Supply Side West tradeshow attendance helps Graminex to gain insights as to where the market is heading in the future in regards to natural products. The show also allows participants to learn about new innovative ingredients and the supporting science and research of natural ingredients. Supply Side West is also a valuable place to learn about new industry and governmental regulations that may affect natural products.

The show was very successful for Graminex. Company representatives were able to communicate with many existing customers in the United States and to showcase available products to potential new customers.

Graminex Pollenique Skincare

Graminex is happy to announce the launch of a new line of skincare products coming August 1, 2008. The new products all contain Graminex Flower Pollen Extract™, which is known to contain vitamins, minerals, amino acids, RNA and DNA building factors, plant hormones, antioxidant factors, enzymes, unsaturated fatty acids, prostaglandin precursors, phytosterols and many other nutrients. All of these help our body internally as well as externally.

Pollenique is a complete skincare line that contains pure and natural ingredients derived from flower pollen and other natural sources. It is suitable for all skin types and it provides the ultimate care for health and beauty.

The product line includes active day cream, whitening cream mask, essential skin wash, body silk cream, wrinkles soother gel, pollen gold soft gel, refreshant toner, deep cleanser, and moisture balancing cream.

The products will be distributed by Graminex and its long term distributors and development partner, Sanomin International. Graminex and Sanomin are excited about branching out into the cosmeceutical industry with Pollenique™. They both look forward to the growth of this promising new venture.



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SKIN CARE

Wellness News: Trans Fat

Submitted by Rachel May

Since January of 2006, a new item has been added to foods Nutrition Facts Label. Trans fat content is now required on all food products sold in the United States, but many people do not know what exactly trans fat is, what kind of foods they are found in, and why it is so important to limit the amount being consumed.

Trans fats are for the most part a man-made substance created by processing liquid vegetable oils (hydrogenated) to make them more solid. This thicker oil is then used to create creamier and crispier rich-flavored food, with a long shelf life. This process results in foods having up to 45% trans fat compared to their total fat content. In comparison, baking shortenings usually have 30% trans fats while products such as butter which is naturally from animals, contains up to 4%. Even margarines, which for a long time were thought to be a healthy alternative to butter contain about 15% trans fat by weight.

Foods containing this oil have been found to raise levels of LDL cholesterol ("bad" cholesterol) and lower levels of HDL cholesterol ("good" cholesterol).

Higher levels of C-reactive protein (CRP) and interleukin 6 (IL-6) have also been observed in people that consume trans fat on a regular basis. High levels of are also related to heart disease and diabetes, because they cause internal inflammation making the heart work harder. According to Walter Willett, M.D. Chairman of The Harvard School of Public Health, proper labels will help people to avoid trans fat, resulting in a decline in the premature deaths due to heart disease which has been at an all time high of 70,000 to 100,000 per year.

Other health concerns now being examined in correlation with trans fat are; liver dysfunction caused by interfering with an enzyme (Delta 6) that converts fatty acids into supportive food for cell function, infertility due to more energy from trans fat as opposed to carbohydrates (each 2% increase in trans fat intake was shown to have a 73% greater risk of ovulatory infertility) and obesity which is a growing epidemic with serious negative consequences.

The new labeling laws caused a decline in the sale of foods containing trans fat. This has pressured companies in the food industry to make rapid changes. When Frito-Lay removed trans fat from their foods, 40,000 tons of trans fat were removed

from the total food supply. Many other companies have followed their example and removed trans fat from their foods. However, under the new labeling laws a label stating "Zero Trans Fat" can still contain up to .49 grams per serving. Knowing this, it is still vital to one's health to avoid foods that could be containing any amount of trans fat.

Choosing the right foods is not always easy, but buying items with zero trans fat is a good way to make a step in the right direction. Restaurants are one of the biggest obstacles when following a low trans fat diet. There are currently no laws requiring restaurants to limit their use or label the amounts in food. They are however required to have nutrition information about their foods whether they are posted publicly or not. Asking about nutrition information at restaurants is the best way to find out if a food contains trans fat. This not only helps you to make better choices, but also forces the restaurants to phase out their foods containing trans fat and use healthier alternatives. For more information visit: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trans_fat.

Major Food Sources of Trans Fat for American Adults
(Average Daily Trans Fat Intake is 5.8 Grams or 2.6 Percent of Calories)

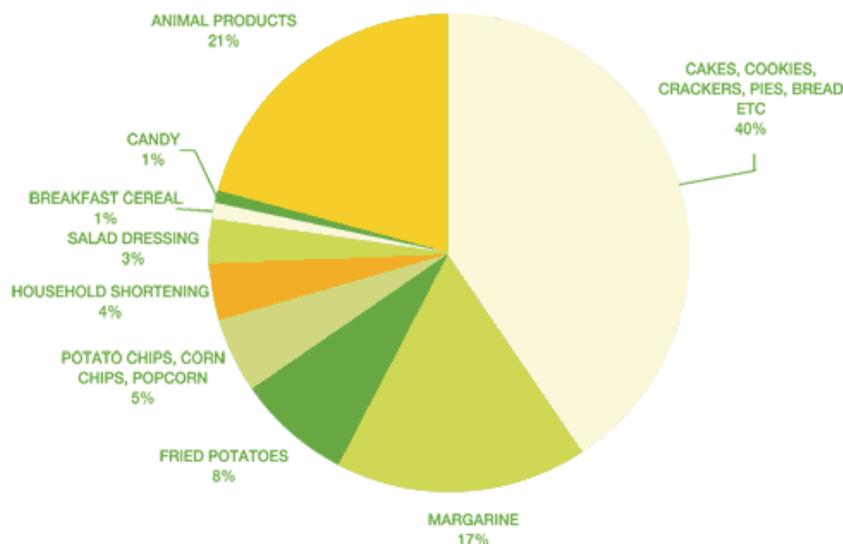


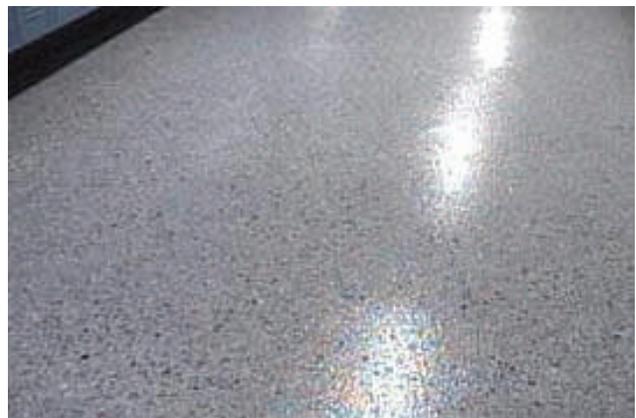
Chart from U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Warehouse Packaging Flooring

Graminex has recently upgraded the flooring in their material handling areas to a new material. It is a Degadur Industrial Resin flooring available from BASF. The flooring is a heavy duty Acrylic Reactive Resin System that is used throughout the food, chemical and pharmaceutical manufacturing industry. This resin rich flooring has many benefits that include it being:

- NSF registered material
- Resistant to chemical absorption
- Non-dusting and hygienic
- Easy to clean up
- Dense and imperious
- Seamless with no joints
- Stands up to abrasion
- Resistant to corrosion
- Impact resistant

By adding this new flooring Graminex is able to ensure a clean environment. The new space will be used for handling all out going bulk shipments. The area has been dedicated to bulk product weighing and packaging. The new area also contains its own adjacent QC release area. Graminex is pleased to continue making improvements and upgrades to its facilities in order to ensure continuous and verifiable high quality products for its customers.



Employee Corner



Cathy Pena
Accounting and Office
Manger

This quarter's employee is Cathy Pena. She has been working for Graminex since August 2000. For over 7 years Cathy has been an important employee in the Graminex corporate office in Saginaw, Michigan.

As the Office Manger in Saginaw, Cathy oversees the daily activities that take place. One of her most important jobs is keeping track off all the accounting records, payables, receivables, and payroll.

In addition to her accounting responsibilities, Cathy oversees the retail

sales division. She is involved with managing orders and works with customer service. She is a very busy employee.

Graminex is thankful to have Cathy. There is no doubt that she is an integral part of the Graminex team.

Everyone at Graminex looks forward to working with Cathy for many more years to come.