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Va'ad HaRabanim of Greater Seattle Kashrut Division

Dear Va'ad Kosher Applicant:

Thank you for contacting the Va'ad for your kosher program. We will do everything possible to expedite the process and make the experience as fulfilling and enjoyable as possible.

Please complete and return the attached application. Provide detailed information, as every ingredient, product, and process - even those involving products you do not seek to certify – may affect your kosher program. For example, even the smallest quantity of a non-kosher processing aid can render a product non-kosher. Similarly, a common steam system or multiple use piece of equipment can compromise the kosher program, even if there is no direct contact between kosher and non-kosher productions.

Of course, if problems do arise, we will assist you to find the easiest and most cost effective solutions. This includes alternative kosher suppliers or creative solutions to manufacturing problems.

Once we receive and evaluate your application, we will contact you with any issues. The next stage is the Initial Inspection and Evaluation of your manufacturing facilities. Based upon these findings, we will determine the conditions for completing the certification process. Finally, we will work with you to develop a contract governing your ongoing kosher certification.

There is no fee for submitting the application. Initial Inspections are pre-billed based upon estimated fees and expenses. In most cases, the fees portion is credited to your first year's certification fee. If we are unable to certify your company, this fee is not refunded.

We look forward to working with you during this important phase in your business development. The Va'ad pledges to provide the highest level of customer service, combined with superlative kosher certification standards. Of course, the strictest confidentiality and professionalism are maintained at all times.

Sincerely,

Avital Eidenbom
 Va'ad Administrator