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Penford Food Ingredients Announces Joint Development Effort With Lonza Inc. at the Petfood Forum in Chicago.

Centennial, Colo., April 20, 2009 – Penford Food Ingredients Co., a division of Penford Corporation (NASDAQ: PENX), today announced it is continuing to expand its line of functional chew treats for dogs with the addition of Lonza Inc.'s L-carnitine product, Carniking™. Lonza is one of the world's leading suppliers to the pharmaceutical, healthcare and life science industries. Penford will exhibit at the 2009 Petfood Forum, a premier event for the pet food industry, taking place this week in Chicago.

To meet the growing demand for treats that deliver benefits to dogs, Penford has been working with Lonza to develop their next generation of functional chews.

L-carnitine in Carniking™ plays a fundamental role in energy metabolism, along with providing other benefits such as: weight management, heart health and supporting healthy liver function in dogs. “The addition of Carniking™ is a natural next step to bring customers’ chew treats for dogs that not only deliver on providing oral care benefits, but can also be a convenient way for the consumer to supplement their pets with key functional ingredients,” said Jeff Smith, Vice President of Business Development, Penford Food Ingredients.

Penford has developed a unique production process that ensures certain ingredients that can be sensitive to heat will survive the rigorous conditions of injection molding which ensures the proper dosage is in the finished product. Penford currently has formulas for the pet treat segment that support hip and joint care along with others that benefit a dog's healthy skin and coat. Jason Woodworth Ph.D., Technical Service Manager for Lonza stated; “Lonza is excited to be working with Penford, whom many in the pet industry recognize as a leader in starch technology and ingredient systems for

food. Treats featuring Carniking™ supports Lonza's objective of finding new applications for Carniking™ in the pet industry.”

The Petfood Forum is organized by Petfood Industry magazine, a publication of Watt Publishing Co. The forum takes place April 20-22 and is immediately followed by the Petfood Workshop April 22-23, a comprehensive and thorough overview of the petfood market, its structure and key players, plus insight into the growth of new products and how they impact the industry. Both events take place at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel in Chicago.

About Penford Food Ingredients

Penford Food Ingredients is a premier carbohydrate company providing the processed food and nutraceutical industries with specialty starches, dextrin and pet treats. A leader in ingredient system technology, Penford Food Ingredients is headquartered in Centennial, CO, and operates production facilities in Wisconsin, Idaho, Washington, and Iowa. For more information please call 800-652-4732 or visit www.penfordfoods.com.

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