## Chipotle Paste Product Specification

This product is prepared from ripe Chipotle peppers. Product does not have any preservatives and is not treated with ethylene oxide or propylene oxide.

Physicals Product Name Chipotle Paste
Characteristics Color Dark red to cherry

Flavor/Aroma Smoky, medium to high pungency, typical of Morita

**Extraneous Material** Within FDA limits

Origin Mexico

Ingredients: Chipotle Peppers, water, salt, and citric acid or acetic acid

Pack Size: 5 gallon pail

Raw Materials: Whole, intact Chipotle pepper, having dark to deep reddish black color and

characteristic smoked Morita flavor. Peppers will not be derived from genetically

modified seed stock (non-GMO).

Brix: 12-18°

**Color:** Predominately dark red to cherry

Flavor: Smoky, medium to high pungency, typical of Chipotle

**Pungency:** 1,500 – 2,500 SHU

**Extraneous Matter:** Within FDA limits

Chemical Features: pH max 3.9; Salt 4+/- 5%

Microbiology: Testing will be performed by an independent laboratory in accordance with U.S. FDA's

Bacteriological Analytical Manual &/or Compendium of Methods for the Microbiological

Examination of Foods, 4th Ed.

Salmonella ND/25 g Standard Plate Count ≤ 100 cfu/g Coliforms < 10/g Generic E. coli < 10/g Yeast < 10/g Mold < 10/g Lactic Acid Bacteria  $\leq$  10 cfu/g Staph Aureus by Petri Film ≤ 10 cfu/g

Certifications: Product will be Kosher Certified by an approved agency.

Labeling: Labels will contain product name; net weight; name & address of the manufacturer, packer

or distributor accompanied by a qualifying phrase which states the firm's relation to the product (e.g., "manufactured for" or "distributed by"); country of origin & the kosher logo.

**Storage:** Finished products should be properly stored, approximately one year.

Shelf life: 12 months

