

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

8 March 2012

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

DEL MONTE FOODS COMPANY

File No. 1-14335 -- CF# 27771

DEL MONTE CORPORATION (successor to DEL MONTE FOODS COMPANY) submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information DEL MONTE FOODS COMPANY excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-K filed on July 12, 2004.

Based on representations by DEL MONTE CORPORATION that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.23 through December 31, 2021

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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