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Finished Product Specification

Product: GFS 4% Distilled White Vinegar

Effective Date: May 04, 2010 Reviewed: July 21, 2014

A. General Specifications

- 1. This material is to be used as a food product and must comply with the requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act as amended (including, but not limited to, the Food Additive Amendment of 1958).
- 2. G.R.A.S. Substance(s): If this food material contains any G.R.A.S. substance(s), this shall be documented by letter to the Buyer's procurement department as to which substance(s), at what level(s), and the purpose(s) for its usage.
- 3. The supplier must give written notice in advance of changes in the formulation or processing of this product if such changes affect: a) the labeling of the finished product under Federal law; b) its status under the Food Additives Regulation; c) its function under intended usage conditions.

B. Description

Woeber/GFS Distilled White Vinegar is the product of alcoholic and subsequent acetous fermentations of dilute ethyl alcohol. The alcohol is converted to acetic acid by the microorganism ACETEBACTOR ACETI. The product is prepared in accordance with the best commercial practice under strict sanitary conditions and the Federal guidelines for Good Manufacturing Practices; it is free of clarifiers, preservatives, or other impurities.

Woeber's vinegar process is meticulously monitored to produce consistent high quality vinegar with unique characteristics of fine flavor and aroma.

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C. Physical Properties

Woeber/GFS Distilled White Vinegar is a clear, bright, transparent product, free from any pronounced foreign flavor or odor. The odor and flavor are clean and characteristic of white distilled vinegar.

<u>Property</u> * <u>Specification</u>

Color 30 APHA, max.

Weight 8.45 lbs /Gallon @ 20 C

Chemical Properties

Property * Specification

Grainage 40 - 42 Grain (4.0 % - 4.2 % acidity

pH approx.. 2.7

Residual Alcohol .25 proof, max. (.5 % max)

Copper .42 ppm, max. Iron .83 ppm, max. Lead .33 ppb, max.

Microbial Specifications:

1. Standard Plate Count: 10/gram maximum

2. Coliforms: < 10/gram
3. E. Coli: < 10/gram
4. Coagulase Positive Staphylococcus
5. Yeast / Mold < 10/gram

6. Salmonella Negative per 25 grams

Extraneous Matter None visible to the naked eye.

Microscopic Matter Negative for vinegar eels and insect fragments.

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* When reduced to 40 Grain basis with distilled water.

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<u>Shelf-Life</u> - One year from date of production at ambient storage temperatures.

<u>Ingredient Statement</u> – White Distilled Vinegar and Filtered Water

<u>Coding</u> – Best By: 12 months from date of production.

Example – Best By: 05-04-11

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