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EPA NAMES JBSS
2011 ENERGY STAR® PARTNER OF THE YEAR

ELGIN, IL, March 22, 2011 – The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recognized **John B. Sanfilippo & Son, Inc. (NASDAQ: JBSS)**, www.jbssinc.com, as one of this year’s recipients of the ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award for excellence in energy management.

“JBSS’ robust energy management program is a national model, demonstrating how to fight climate change through energy efficiency,” said Elizabeth Craig, Acting Director of EPA’s Office of Atmospheric Programs. “Effective energy management not only helps the bottom line, but it also is our most cost-effective climate strategy,” Craig added.

In 2010, EPA recognized three JBSS facilities for reducing energy consumption more than 10% as part of ENERGY STAR’s Challenge for Industry. This 2011 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award recognizes their overall corporate efforts. “It is gratifying to receive industry recognition for our work in reducing our carbon footprint,” said Jasper Sanfilippo Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer of JBSS. “It took a collective effort on behalf of all of our employees to drive improvements, and I’m very proud of their dedication and work,” Sanfilippo added.

Over the past three years, JBSS has developed resource conservation teams at all five of its facilities. JBSS conducts annual energy assessments at each of its plants to help establish a baseline and to set both short-term and long-term goals to reduce its use of water, nitrogen, electricity and gas.

ENERGY STAR was introduced by EPA in 1992 as a voluntary, market-based partnership to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants associated with energy use. Today, the ENERGY STAR label can be found on more than 60 kinds of products as well as new homes,

buildings, and manufacturing plants. Last year alone, Americans, with the help of ENERGY STAR, saved \$18 billion on their utility bills and prevented greenhouse gas equivalent to those of 34 million cars. Products, homes and buildings that have earned the ENERGY STAR prevent emissions by meeting strict energy-efficiency specifications set by the EPA. For more information, go to www.energystar.gov.

John B. Sanfilippo & Son, Inc., (NASDAQ: JBSS), founded in 1922, is a leading processor, marketer and distributor of baking nuts, snack nuts and nut-based products that are sold in multiple distribution channels. Our products can be found under the Fisher®, Orchard Valley Harvest™ and Sunshine Country® brand names and a variety of private labels.