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HACCP Certificate

Operating a food plant under a HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point) system is thought to be the best way to ensure the safety of its food products. For all products containing fruit juice, the FDA mandates that all processors operate using a HACCP system. The requirements for juice HACCP systems are listed in Chapter 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 120.

This certifies that all juices, juice concentrates, juice concentrate blends, purees, and puree concentrates (including, but no limited to, Concord grape, other grape, blueberry, cherry, apple, and cranberry) produced by Growers Cooperative Grape Juice Company, Inc. under a HACCP program that meets the requirements of 21 CFR 120. This includes a 5 log reduction of the most resistant pathogen of public health significance likely to occur in that juice.

For Growers' customers that desire to use our concentrates without re-pasteurization, this certifies that the requirements for FDA's enforcement discretion on the "single facility" requirement as described in their 1/22/2002 and 1/25/2002 letters to the Florida Citrus Processor's Assn are met by Growers' use of transportation out as a CCP. This allows Growers' 5 log pathogen reduction to be carried into customer's high (40+) Bx retail products. This assumes that our customers have transport in as a CCP in their own HACCP Programs.

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