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Dot Foods moves up list of nation's largest private companies

MT. STERLING, ILLINOIS, December 10, 2007 – For the ninth consecutive year, Forbes Magazine's list of largest private companies includes Mt. Sterling-based Dot Foods.

Dot is #156 on the list, up from last year's ranking of #160. Dot's revenue was listed as \$2.49 billion for 2006, an increase of 14.8% over 2005 revenue.

"Although we do not spend a lot of time focusing on size alone or dollar sales, we do believe that customers 'vote' with purchase orders. Our growth in sales is recognition that we are satisfying customers. Growth also means more opportunities for our employees, which is a key part of our culture," said John Tracy, president and chief executive officer.

Forbes recognizes America's private companies with at least \$1 billion in annual revenue. This year, there were 424 companies listed, with Wichita, Kan.-based Koch Industries in the #1 spot.

To see the entire list online, go to Forbes.com and choose "Lists."

Founded in 1960 by Robert "R.T." Tracy, Dot Foods has grown into the nation's leading food redistributor. Dot distributes foodservice, convenience, retail, vending and equipment and supplies to food distributors in all 50 states.

Dot has grown quickly over the past 20 years, doubling in size almost every five years. The company employs over 3,000 people nationwide, and offers positions in supply chain management, warehousing, transportation, information technology and more. In addition to its headquarters in Mt. Sterling, it also has distribution centers in Modesto, Calif., Vidalia, Ga., Lemont, Ill., Williamsport, Md., Liverpool, N.Y, Ardmore, Okla., and Cambridge City, Ind. Dot Foods will open its ninth distribution center in Burley, Idaho next summer.

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