



Patrick Cudahy distribution center operational; Access to fire scene still closed

Cudahy, Wis. – (July 8, 2009) – While the City of Cudahy Fire Department continues to control the fire scene at the Patrick Cudahy plant and firefighters work to extinguish final “hot spots,” company officials reported that distribution operations have resumed.

“While we do not yet know when production will become operational, last night we were able to resume activities at our distribution center,” said Bill Otis, President of Patrick Cudahy. “To start filling orders so soon after the fire is testament to our employees’ dedication. All of us at Patrick Cudahy are very proud of them.”

Otis also noted that as soon as the fire scene is declared safe by local public safety officials, the thorough damage assessment can begin. Following the damage assessment, the company can start to determine when production will resume.