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CHEFS WAREHOUSE ANNOUNCES “Allen Brothers Natural, by Niman Ranch”

*Niman Ranch and Allen Brothers announce co-branded natural beef as part of expanded product offering through Chefs Warehouse*

Northglenn, Colo. (April 20, 2017) – Niman Ranch, the pioneering leader in humanely and sustainably raised pork, beef and lamb, today announced a new national partnership with one of their largest and oldest food service partners, Del Monte/Chefs’ Warehouse. The partnership is a first for both Niman Ranch, the leading brand of natural and specialty meats, and Allen Brothers, one of the top ranked national brands of award winning steaks. The partnership is the first natural fresh beef program for Chefs’ Warehouse and expands consumer access to sustainably raised great tasting meat to restaurants from coast to coast.

Chefs’ Warehouse, Inc. is a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States and serves more than 20,000 customer locations. The new partnership with Niman Ranch and Chefs’ Warehouse will also make Niman Ranch products more widely available across the country, expanding access to new markets and channels.

Niman Ranch meat is third-party certified under the Certified Humane® program from a community of small, independent U.S. family farmers who adhere to some of the strictest animal welfare protocols in the industry. Niman cattle is genetically Angus, have ample grazing room on pasture, fed a 100% vegetarian diet without the use of antibiotics or hormones.

"We have been honored to have our network of 720 family farms grow the best tasting meat for the top chefs in the world," said Jeff Tripician, General Manager of Niman Ranch. “This partnership to expand with Chefs’ Warehouse is a natural fit and allows us to offer a wide assortment of prepared natural meats and fresh upper choice and prime natural Angus Beef.”

“We have built our business distributing the finest products in the world to the top chefs in the country. Our relationships stand as a testament to our commitment to excellence. It is no surprise that Niman Ranch is our first-ever co-branded product to expand the excellence and strengthen this commitment,” stated John DeBenedetti, Executive Vice President of Protein, Allen Brothers and Chefs Warehouse" “The country’s leading steakhouses have built their reputation upon the quality and consistency of Allen Brothers and Niman Ranch meats – two value-based organizations.”

The co-branded unveiling of “Allen Brothers All Natural Meats by Niman Ranch” include all fresh, upper choice and prime Angus beef available through Chef’s Warehouse.

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With more than 40 years as an industry leader, Niman Ranch is a community of more than 720 independent family farmers and ranchers who raise livestock traditionally, humanely and sustainably to deliver the finest-tasting meat. All Niman Ranch pork, beef, lamb and prepared products are certified under the Certified Humane® program and available nationwide at both food service and retail locations.