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ConAgra Foods Lamb Weston to Expand Operations in Boardman, Ore.

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EAGLE, Idaho--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--ConAgra Foods, Inc. (NYSE: CAG) announced today that its Lamb Weston business will expand operations at its facility in Boardman, Ore. The \$30 million investment will add additional processing capacity for making formed products such as hash brown patties and potato puffs. The addition of the line at the company's existing facility is expected to add 50 jobs.

With continued increase in demand for frozen potato products domestically and internationally, and the increasing popularity of formed products, this capacity expansion is necessary to fulfill Lamb Weston's global growth projections. Construction on the state-of-the-art processing line is expected to begin in the spring, with completion in 2017. The added line will increase processing capacity by approximately 50 million pounds once complete.

"With the frozen potato category growing globally, we have tremendous opportunity to support our customers' growth in the US and around the world," said Greg Schlafer, President, Lamb Weston. "To capture that growth, we need to make more products. Expanding our operations in the Columbia Basin – with access to great potatoes, people and ports – just makes sense."

The facility in Boardman is strategically situated to support domestic and international growth, with proximity to prime growing, storage and shipping operations, and easy access to the Port of Morrow. The company opened an initial expansion of the facility in June, 2014, adding 300 million pounds of capacity with a new fry line. That \$200 million project included plans for the addition announced today. Lamb Weston currently employs 390 people in Boardman.

"Lamb Weston's planned expansion shows their continued commitment to the Port of Morrow, Boardman and the Mid-Columbia region as the right place to do business," said Gary Neal, General Manager, Port of Morrow. "Their ongoing investments add good paying jobs to our Region and we are fortunate to have such great partners at the Port."

Lamb Weston is one of the largest employers in the Columbia Basin, with approximately 4,500 employees at a corporate office and seven manufacturing facilities in the region. A frozen potato industry leader, the company operates 22 manufacturing facilities in North America, Europe and China.

About ConAgra Foods

ConAgra Foods, Inc., (NYSE: CAG), is one of North America's leading packaged food companies with recognized brands such as *Marie Callender's*®, *Healthy Choice*®, *Slim Jim*®, *Hebrew National*®, *Orville Redenbacher's*®, *Peter Pan*®, *Reddi-wip*®, *PAM*®, *Snack Pack*®, *Banquet*®, *Chef Boyardee*®, *Egg Beaters*®, *Hunt's*® and many other ConAgra Foods brands found in grocery, convenience, mass merchandise and club stores. ConAgra Foods also has a strong business-to-business presence, supplying frozen potato and sweet potato products as well as other vegetable, spice and grain products to a variety of well-known restaurants, foodservice operators and commercial customers. For more information, please visit us at www.conagrafoods.com.

ABOUT LAMB WESTON

Lamb Weston, a ConAgra Foods brand, is a leading supplier of frozen potato, sweet potato, appetizer and vegetable products to restaurants and retailers around the world. For more than 60 years, Lamb Weston has led the industry in innovation, introducing inventive products that simplify back-of-house management for our customers and make eating more delicious for their customers. From the fields where Lamb Weston potatoes are grown to proactive customer partnerships, Lamb Weston always strives for more and never settles. Because, when we look at a potato, we see possibilities.

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