

## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



The franchise described in this disclosure document is for a retail outlet ("Unit") which makes and sells gelato and other specialty food items, beverage items, and products. There are 4 types of Units available – a traditional Unit, non-traditional Unit, mall kiosk Unit, and mall in-line Unit.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Paciugo franchise is between \$231,300 and \$435,300 for a traditional Unit; between \$76,100 and \$295,300 for a nontraditional Unit; between \$200,100 and \$297,800 for a mall kiosk Unit; and between \$221,300 and \$330,800 for a mall in-line Unit. (See Item 7) This includes \$38,000 to \$47,500 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate. (See Item 5)

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Paciugo at 1215 Viceroy Drive, Dallas, Texas 75247 and 214-654-9501, extension 110.



The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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## STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit B for information about the franchisor or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT STATE 1. THAT THE LAW OF TEXAS GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.

2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT PERMIT YOU TO MEDIATE AND LITIGATE ONLY IN THE CITY WHERE WE HAVE OUR PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS (CURRENTLY DALLAS, TEXAS). OUT OF STATE MEDIATION OR LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO MEDIATE OR LITIGATE WITH US IN OUR HOME STATE THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.

THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE. 3.

We may use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise. A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you. We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us. You should make sure to do your own investigation of the franchise.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.

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