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## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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The franchised business is the operation of one or more bakeries specializing in hand-rolled soft fresh-baked pretzels. We offer 3 franchise programs:

1. A single WETZEL'S PRETZELS® Bakery. The total investment necessary to begin operation of a WETZEL'S PRETZELS® Bakery ranges from \$156,100 to \$478,850. This includes approximately \$40,750 that must be paid to the franchisor. If Wetzel's Pretzels grants you a license to operate a Remote Mobile Unit under a Remote Mobile Unit Addendum to your Franchise Agreement, the total investment necessary to begin a Remote Mobile Unit ranges from \$23,000 and \$60,000. This includes a fee of \$5,000 for a Remote Mobile Unit that must be paid to the franchisor.

2. Multiple WETZEL'S PRETZELS® Bakeries within a defined area pursuant to a Multi-Unit Development Agreement. There is an initial development fee of \$15,000 multiplied by the number of Bakeries which you must open, plus the balance of the initial franchise fee (\$20,000) for your first Franchise Agreement. You will pay an initial franchise fee of \$35,000 for each Bakery (\$22,500 for a second Bakery in the same mall). However, we will credit the development fee against the initial franchise fees (at the rate of \$15,000 for the second and each subsequent Franchise Agreement).

3. A single WETZEL'S PRETZELS® Concession Truck or Trailer. The total investment necessary to begin operation of a WETZEL'S PRETZELS® Concession Truck or Trailer ranges from \$162,600 to \$366,850. This includes approximately \$5,000 that must be paid to the franchisor.

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 payments to, the franchisor or an affiliate



## in connection with the proposed franchise sale or grant. 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 Wetzel's Pretzels at 35 Hugus Alley, Suite 300, Pasadena, CA 91103, Telephone (626) 432 6900.

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, such as 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 "<u>A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise</u>," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You may contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You may also visit the FTC's home page at http://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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## How to Use This Franchise Disclosure Document

Here are some questions you may be asking about buying a franchise and tips on how to find more information:

find more information: QUESTION	WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION
How much can I earn?	Item 19 may give you information about outlet sales, costs, profits or losses. You should also try to obtain this information from others, like current and former franchisees. You can find their names and contact information in Item 20 or Exhibits E-1 and E-2.
How much will I need to invest?	Items 5 and 6 list fees you will be paying to the franchisor or at the franchisor's direction. Item 7 lists the initial investment to open. Item 8 describes the suppliers you must use.
Does the franchisor have the financial ability to provide support to my business?	Item 21 or Exhibit B includes financial statements. Review these statements carefully.
Is the franchise system stable, growing, or shrinking?	Item 20 summarizes the recent history of the number of company-owned and franchised outlets.
Will my business be the only Wetzel's Pretzels® business in my area?	Item 12 and the "territory" provisions in the franchise agreement describe whether the franchisor and other franchisees can compete with you.
Does the franchisor have a troubled legal history?	Items 3 and 4 tell you whether the franchisor or its management have been involved in material litigation or bankruptcy proceedings.
What's it like to be a Wetzel's Pretzels® franchisee?	Item 20 or Exhibits E-1 and E-2 list current and former franchisees. You can contact them to ask about their experiences.
What else should I know?	These questions are only a few things you should look for. Review all 23 Items and all Exhibits in this disclosure document to better understand this franchise opportunity. See the table of contents.

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