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Beatrice Launches New, Updated Retirement & Benefits Information Manual

PHOENIX -- February saw the launch of our newest Beatrice Retirement & Benefits Information manual that is specifically for retirees of the various Beatrice entities. The updated manual has further information on other entities that Beatrice once owned, and we thank retirees for pointing this omission out to us, and this has been corrected.

Also, we will be including the 1977 'Beatrice Foods Co. Retirement Income Plan (BRIP) benefits manual. This was recently scanned and was originally presented to all whom participated in the BRIP, but many may not have retained the original manual, and we want to make it available to all who would have paid into BRIP.

Beatrice will also be phasing out the duplicate information that is directly listed on or various "Contact" pages, and will simply refer users to use the manual, as it is much easier to maintain the manual than each individual web page.

To view the Beatrice Retirement & Benefits Information manual, go to the following web link: http://www.beatriceco.com/pdf/BI42145.pdf

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