



McCormick & Company Announces that it does not intend to make an offer for Premier Foods plc

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SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 13, 2016 (PRNewswire) - Further to the announcement by Premier Foods plc ("Premier Foods") on March 30, 2016, McCormick & Company, Incorporated (NYSE: MKC) ("McCormick"), a global leader in flavor, announces that it does not intend to make an offer for Premier Foods.

McCormick has completed its due diligence review of Premier Foods, which was conducted with the management of Premier Foods in an open and collaborative spirit. McCormick has, after careful consideration, concluded that it would not be able to progress a price that would be recommended by the Board of Premier Foods while also delivering appropriate returns for McCormick shareholders. Accordingly, McCormick has withdrawn its proposal to acquire Premier Foods. This announcement is made in accordance with Rule 2.8 of the Takeover Code (the "Code"). As a result of this announcement, McCormick will, except in the circumstances set out in Note 2 on Rule 2.8 of the Code or otherwise with the consent of the UK Panel on Takeovers and Mergers, be bound by the restrictions contained in Rule 2.8 of the Code.

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