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Mr. Rusty Lucas
P O Box 422
Sandusky, OH 44871

Dear Mr. Lucas,

I understand from our Consumer Affairs Department that you have recently been in contact with us in regards to our Mariani Brand Premium Cherries. I trust that you were treated with the courtesy due to a Mariani customer and that you are satisfied with how things were handled.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would take the time to fill out the enclosed questionnaire. A self-addressed, postage-paid envelope is enclosed so that the questionnaire is returned directly to me.

Please answer candidly and know that each and every one of the returned questionnaires is read. Your response will help me determine how we are doing as a company and if our products are getting to you, and our other customers, as fresh and wholesome as we intend.

Thank you and best regards,

Mark A. Mariani
Chairman/CEO

