RETORT POUCHES & TRAYS 2009

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- Materials
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Primary Rollstock/Laminates/ Lidding Alcan Packaging Tetra Recart AB Smurfit-Stone **RJR** Packaging Sonoco Products Fres-co System USA Trays Rexam Containers Silgan Containers **Pouch Converters -- Domestic** KAPAK Exopack Floeter Techflex Technipac Valley Packaging Pouch Converters -- Imported Amcor Flexibles **CLP** Packaging Solutions Hvewon USA Lithotype Majestic Flex PAC Pyramid Flexible Secondary **Barrier Materials** Foils Alcan Packaging Alcoa Coatings - Silicon oxide Alcan Packaging Coatings - Aluminum oxide Amcor Flexibles Toppan Coatings – Nanocomposites Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Nanocor Inmat Coatings - Polyacrylic Acid Kureha

Barrier Resins **EVAL** Company of America Nippon Gohsei Dow Tray Resins PPO **GE** Advanced Materials Polypropylene Basell BP Dow Other **Other Materials** Adhesives Liofol Rohm & Haas Closures Presto Products **ZIP-PAK®** IPN USA Inks Color Converting Flint Ink Sun Chemical (GPI)

Sealant Films American Profol Copol Pliant Tredegar Structural Films – PET DuPont Teijin Mitsubishi Polyester Film SKC America Toray Terphane Structural Films – nylon Honeywell American Biaxis

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Form/Fill/Seal Bossar USA Laudenberg Robert's Packaging **Pouch Fill Seal** Bossar USA Laudenberg Nishibe Kikai Co. Robert's Packaging Toyo Jidoki Co. Pouchmaking Leepack Co. **River Solutions TOTANI** America **Quality Assurance** Pak Technologies PTI **Tray Sealers** Multivac Raque Food Systems Hans Rychiger Thermoform/Fill/Seal Multivac CFS Others Herrmann Ultrasonic

Scope & Methodology

The scope of this study is the market in the United States and Canada for retort pouches and trays. The study will be based on extensive review of existing data and primary interviews. Sources include trade journals, published studies, relevant information from subscribers and Keymark files not accessible on public databases. Interviews will be conducted with managers and executives, primarily in marketing and technical areas, from over 30 key companies, including film and substrate producers, pouch and tray converters, equipment makers, and end-users such as food processors including tuna, prepared foods, pet food and other key areas.

Consultant Qualifications

Keymark Associates consults extensively with major chemical firms and converters in flexible and rigid packaging to help them identify and develop new products, businesses and markets. Keymark has conducted a broad range of studies in rigid and flexible packaging, including:

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- Nylon Film Markets in North America & Europe
- Case Ready Red Meat Packaging Systems
- North American Flexible Packaging Strategies 2002

- Oriented Film Pricing & Economics
- Barrier Sheet & Trays Market & Economics
- Opportunities for Hot-Filled Foods Packaging
- Opportunities for Shrink Labels & Bottles
- Opportunities for Shrink & Stretch Labels 2009

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