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Albertsons hosts food drive to benefit San Diego Food Bank

San Diego, Calif. – September 8, 2008 – Albertsons stores throughout Southern California and Las Vegas will host the Albertsons Bountiful Harvest Food Drive September 15 – 28, 2008 to benefit the food banks throughout the region.

Customers may participate by purchasing a “virtual” bag of food for \$2, \$5 or \$7 at the Albertsons check-stands. The funds raised through the sale of the “virtual” bags will be used to procure essential items such as peanut butter, canned tuna and canned vegetables. The food and funds collected will be used to assist low-income families who turn to the San Diego Food Bank each month for help.

“Rising costs have hit local families hard and many continue to struggle to put regular meals on the table. The Albertsons Bountiful Harvest Food Drive will supply the San Diego Food Bank with important staples that these families need,” says CEO J. Scofield “Scody” Hage, San Diego Food Bank.

“As a retail grocer, fighting hunger is an important initiative for us,” emphasized Sue Klug, President of Albertsons Southern California Division. “When customers support the Albertsons Bountiful Harvest Food Drive, they are truly helping their neighbors in need because all of the donated food remains in their community,” Klug added.

The Albertsons Bountiful Harvest Food Drive comes at a critical time, as difficult economic conditions have led to unprecedented demands on food banks.

The Albertsons Bountiful Harvest Food Drive is being conducted in Albertsons and Lucky stores throughout Southern California from Paso Robles to San Diego, including the Inland Empire, Palm Springs and Las Vegas, Nevada. The food collected will go to each community's local food bank or agency to help those in need in that area.

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About San Diego Food Bank

Established in 1977, the San Diego Food Bank is a critical component to the welfare of San Diego County, providing food to people in need, advocating for the hungry and educating the public about hunger-related issues. Through a combination of government programs and partnerships with more than 300 San Diego County non-profit charities, SDFB acts as a central repository and distribution point for government and donated food. Funded by foundations, grants, the USDA, corporations, sponsors and individual donors, SDFB distributes nearly 10 million pounds of food annually to individuals, families and a network of non-profit organizations that work to alleviate hunger throughout the county. For more information, please visit www.sandiegofoodbank.org.

About Albertsons:

Albertsons was founded in 1939 and currently operates 530 Albertsons and Lucky supermarkets in Idaho, Montana, Southern California, Southern Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Albertsons is part of the SUPERVALU family, which is one of the largest companies in the United States' grocery channel, with annual sales of approximately \$45 billion. SUPERVALU holds leading market share positions across the U.S. with its approximately 2,475 retail grocery locations. Through SUPERVALU's nationwide supply chain network, the company provides distribution and related logistics support services to more than 5,000 grocery endpoints across the country. SUPERVALU currently has approximately 192,000 employees. For more information about Albertsons, please visit our Web site at www.albertsons.com.