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Baker Manock & Jensen represented Olam International, Limited and its subsidiary Olam Tomato Processors, Inc. in the recent acquisition of two California tomato processing facilities for \$39 million. The facilities are in Lemoore, in Kings County and Williams, in Colusa County. They were formerly owned by SK Foods, L.P. (“SK”) and RHM International Industrial/Specialty Foods, Inc. (“RHM”). SK and RHM held approximately 14% of California’s processing tomato market at one time.

SK and RHM have been debtors in Chapter 11 cases pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court in Sacramento, since May 7, 2009. Olam’s purchase agreement was approved by Bankruptcy Judge Robert S. Bardwil at a hearing on June 25, 2009. The transactions closed escrow on July 7, 2009, which was in time for the 2009 processing tomato season.

Olam International, Limited is headquartered in Singapore. It is a leading global integrated supply chain manager of agricultural products and food ingredients. It does business in 60 countries and supplies food products to more than 6,500 customers. In December of 2008 its subsidiary, Olam West Coast, Inc., acquired the former DeFrancesco dehydrating facility in Firebaugh, California.

Carl Refuerzo, Al Berryman and Eric Cole were the primary attorneys at Baker Manock & Jensen involved in this transaction. They worked in conjunction with Mary Burke and Phil Zoloto of Olam’s investment banking firm in Chicago, Lakeshore Food Advisors.