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United Supermarkets Renews Commitment to NuVal[®] Nutritional Scoring System

(LUBBOCK, Texas) – NuVal LLC announced today that **United Supermarkets, LLC**, is the latest supermarket chain to sign a contract extension guaranteeing its stores will continue carrying the NuVal[®] Nutritional Scoring System.

Under its United Supermarkets, Market Street, Amigos and United Express banners, United has offered NuVal scores since early 2010 and was the first supermarket chain in Texas to do so.



The contract extension assures United's guests that they can continue to count on the unique, easy-to-use program they have depended on to find the most nutritious foods on its shelves.

The NuVal Nutritional Scoring System rates foods on a scale of 1 to 100; the higher the score, the more nutritious the food. Scores are displayed on grocery shelves right on the shelf tag next to the price, making it easy for consumers to decide what foods to buy.

"The NuVal system is one of the ways our stores make it easy for our guests to build a better basket," said Robin Hawkins, M.S., R.D., L.D., director of health and wellness for United Supermarkets, LLC. "We are extremely proud to have been the first retailer in Texas to implement the NuVal system and are excited about the opportunity it provides the one million guests who shop our stores every week."

The NuVal system allows shoppers the opportunity to:

- Quickly and easily identify the most nutritious products by shelf tags with higher NuVal scores.
- Share nutrition information with their families that is backed by the U.S.' best nutrition experts, who researched and developed the NuVal System.
- Get more nutrition for their budget, as shoppers can do side-by-side comparisons to determine which product offers the best nutrition and price value. For instance, some varieties of frozen or canned vegetables may score the same as fresh produce on the NuVal scale. Shoppers can also compare the nutrition-to-price value of name brand vs. store brand products.

“We are proud of our relationship with this leading food retailer. These efforts put health and wellness right into the grocery store aisles where food decisions are made,” said Mike Nugent, NuVal general manager.

About United Supermarkets, LLC

Now in its 97th year of operation, United Supermarkets, LLC, is a Texas-based grocery chain with stores in 30 markets across north and west Texas. A self-distributing company with its headquarters in Lubbock and distribution centers in Lubbock and Roanoke, United currently operates 57 stores under four unique brands: [United Supermarkets](#), [Market Street](#), [Amigos](#) and United Express, along with subsidiary operations R.C. Taylor Distributing, Praters and Llano Logistics. The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Albertson’s LLC. For more information, please visit: www.unitedtexas.com.

About NuVal LLC

The NuVal Nutritional Scoring System is a unique food labeling system which ranks all foods between 1 and 100; the higher the score, the higher the food’s overall nutrition. NuVal Scores can be found in more than 1,600 supermarkets, as well as in schools, hospitals and other health facilities. The NuVal System is endorsed by the American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM), and a recent Harvard School of Public Health study showed that those who ate food with more favorable NuVal Scores had a lower risk of chronic disease and had a better chance of living a longer, healthier life. NuVal LLC is a joint venture formed in 2008 by Topco Associates, LLC, and Griffin Hospital.

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