

Hormel acquires Fontanini for \$425 million

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"This is a strategic acquisition for our high-growth foodservice division. We have delivered a strong track record of success in the foodservice industry with a growing portfolio of customers in the lodging, restaurant, healthcare and college and university sectors," said Jim Snee, president and chief executive officer at Hormel Foods. "The *Fontanini* brand is highly regarded, and the addition of these products to our portfolio will allow us to accelerate growth for both Hormel Foods foodservice and for Fontanini through expanded distribution and new customers."

Fontanini will continue operations out of their facility in the Chicago metropolitan area and will report into the Refrigerated Foods segment.

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