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Dear Mr. Konicek:

On behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Sustainable Materials Management Program, it is my pleasure to recognize Signature Breads, Inc. as the winner of the **2017 Food Recovery Challenge Food Manufacturing Award**. I congratulate your organization for successfully diverting over two thousand tons of wasted food in 2016.

Because of your effective strategies to prevent and divert wasted food, Signature Breads, Inc. serves as a role model for other food manufacturing businesses across the United States. Your accomplishments and the steps you took to achieve them provide valuable guidance to other organizations as they engage in sustainable management of food activities. We encourage you to share your story and the benefits of reducing food loss and waste with others.

EPA issued a press release announcing the 2017 Food Recovery Challenge award recipients and posted information, including participant stories, on our Sustainable Management of Food Website. We also shared the good news about award recipients through our **@EPALand Twitter** account using the hashtags **#NoWasted Food** and **#FRCAwards**. I encourage you to use your own social media to share your success with others and inspire them to reduce wasted food.

Participants like you move our country forward to advance sustainable management of food and lead the way to meet the U.S. goal to reduce food loss and waste by 50% by 2030. The cost-effective and creative practices showcased are paying off through measured social, financial and environmental benefits. I look forward to a continued partnership with Signature Breads, Inc. through the Food Recovery Challenge and wish you future success to prevent and divert wasted food.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kathleen Salyer".

Kathleen Salyer, Deputy Director  
Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery

cc:  
Karen McGuire  
Janet Bowen