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## **Monica Johnson Joins Bonduelle U.S. Leadership Team as General Counsel** *Appointment Brings Strong Legal and Government Affairs Expertise to Bonduelle Business Units in North America*

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**Irwindale, Calif., March 6, 2019** – Bonduelle Fresh Americas, formerly Ready Pac Foods, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bonduelle ([BOND.PA](#)), today announced the appointment of **Monica Johnson**, General Counsel, to its Executive Committee, the business unit’s senior leadership team. Johnson joined the company in October 2018 and was appointed to the senior leadership team in January. She is responsible for providing professional legal advice and representation for all legal, regulatory and government matters affecting the business. As part of her role, she also provides legal advice and support to Bonduelle Americas Long Life, the company’s North American canned and frozen business unit based in Canada.

“Monica’s deep legal experience with a variety of industries, as well as her government affairs background, bring great diversity to the Bonduelle Fresh Americas leadership team,” said Bonduelle Fresh Americas CEO Mary Thompson. “The General Counsel role is an important one for Bonduelle Fresh Americas and she has made a positive impact on many areas of the business in her short tenure here.”

Johnson brings more than 15 years of legal experience to Bonduelle in a broad range of industries, including foodservice, technology, manufacturing and supply chain/logistics. Prior to joining Bonduelle, she was Assistant General Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary at Ventura Foods, LLC, a privately held manufacturer and distributor of branded and private-label food products, including dressings, oils, sauces, dips, shortening, margarine, butter blends, mayonnaises, and flavor bases. Before Ventura Foods, Johnson was Senior Counsel at Western Digital, served as Corporate Counsel of BAX Global and was an associate at the law firm Theodora Oringher and Yoka & Smith.

Johnson has government affairs experience as well, having served in the administrations of three Calif. governors. Most recently she served for eight years on the California Board of Optometry as an appointee of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, as Vice Chair partnering with Board members to protect the public and regulate the profession of Optometry.

### **About Bonduelle Fresh Americas**

Bonduelle Fresh Americas is a wholly-owned subsidiary of [Bonduelle \(BON.PA\)](#), and home of the Ready Pac Foods and Bonduelle brands. With four processing facilities throughout the U.S., the business unit focuses on fresh vegetables, salads and fresh meal solutions for the Americas. Acquired by Bonduelle in 2017 as Ready Pac Foods, the renamed Bonduelle Fresh Americas is the newest of the company’s five business units. The company manufactures a complete range of products featuring fresh produce and protein under the company’s Ready Pac Foods®, Bistro®, Ready Snax®, Cool

Cuts®, elevAte™ and Bonduelle Fresh Picked™ and Bonduelle Heat & Eat Harvest Bowl™ brands. Offerings include fresh-cut salads, fruits, vegetables, snacking and fresh prepared meals, including warm meal bowls, available where consumers buy groceries and in restaurant chains across North America. Visit [www.bfa.bonduelle.com](http://www.bfa.bonduelle.com) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

#### **About Bonduelle**

Bonduelle, a family business, was established in 1853. Its mission is to be the world reference in well-living through plant-based foods. Prioritizing innovation and long-term vision, the group is diversifying its operations and geographical presence. Its vegetables, grown over more than 130,000 hectares all over the world, are sold in 100 countries under various brand names and through various distribution channels and forms. An expert in agro-industry, with 54 industrial sites or owned agricultural production facilities, Bonduelle produces quality products by selecting the best crop areas close to its customers. Visit [www.bonduelle.com/en](http://www.bonduelle.com/en) for more.

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