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Performance Foodservice Launches New Entrées **Featuring Distinctive Guinness Flavor**

Chef-Inspired Modern Foods Crafted in the Irish Tradition

RICHMOND, Va. — Performance Foodservice today announced the launch of Guinness® Bold Entrées, an exclusive and distinct line of beer-infused modern foods created in partnership with Guinness and renowned Chef Todd Davies.

Although cooking with the world's No.1 stout is a tradition that dates back more than 250 years, beerinspired dishes and recipes using premier branded beverages are now trendy and thriving in restaurants, bars and homes across the country.

"We're embracing the beer trend in America through these innovative, beer-infused entrées inspired by traditional recipes and flavor," said Fred Sanelli, Senior Vice President of Marketing & Sales Development for Performance Foodservice. "From saucy pork ribs to braised corned beef infused and marinated in Guinness, these bold and flavorful entrées can add depth and variety to our customers' menus in exciting new ways."

Guinness Bold Entrées initially include Braised Corn Beef, Braised Beef Chili with Beans, Braised Pot Roast, Braised St. Louis Ribs, Braised Tri Tip and a Sample Assortment Kit - fully cooked in sous-vide manner and easily prepared in-house without a trained chef. They are available in small individual packs, small case packs and have a long shelf life.

Chef Davies, a leading beer-infused product innovator, created the recipes after working closely with Guinness experts using the time-honored tradition of cooking with Guinness, an iconic brand from Diageo plc. "Cooking with beer - and Guinness in particular - provides a tremendous depth of flavor for cooking, so much more than any other alcohol or wine can offer," said Chef Davies, who is also a Certified Cicerone®. "Guinness is a great tool for adding a hint of nutty, chocolate and roasted flavors that lend sophistication and elevate a menu."

For more information on Performance Foodservice's Guinness® Bold Entrees and menu ideas, please visit http://performancefoodservice.com/en/Our-Products/Something-New/Just-In/Guinness-Bold-Entrees.aspx. To connect with Performance Foodservice on Facebook, please visit https://www.facebook.com/PerformanceFoodservice.

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About Diageo plc:

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