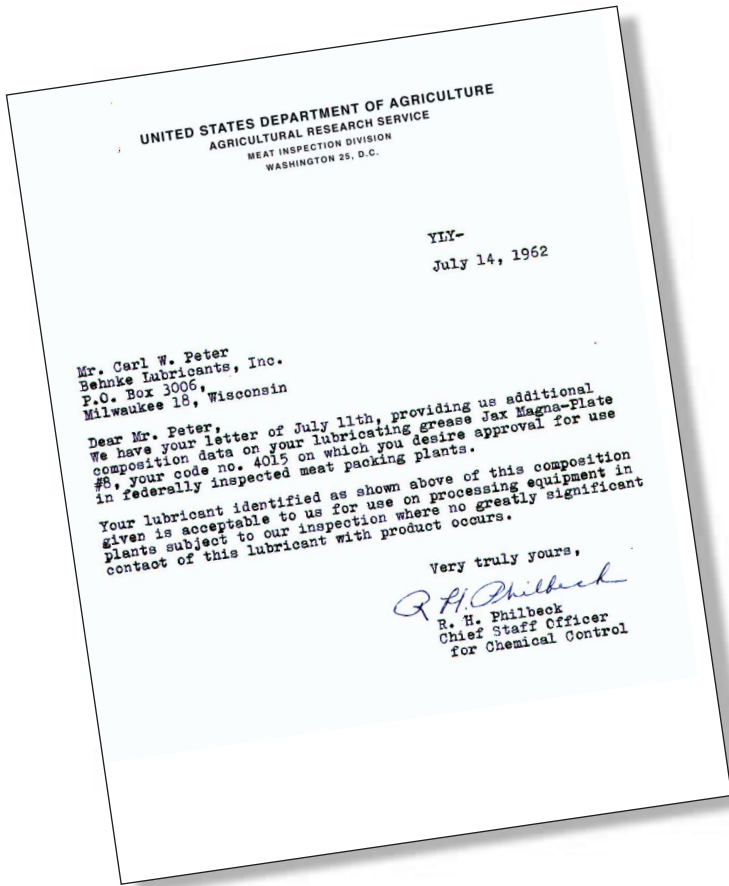


# JAX receives first USDA authorization



- **JAX pioneered development of Food-Grade lubricants**
- **JAX has over 130 USDA authorized products**
- **JAX products utilized by Food Processing's Top 100**
- **JAX continues to develop products and services to lubricate the toughest food processing applications**

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# **Food Grade Lubricant Classifications**

## **JAX pioneered USDA authorized lubricants**

Behnke Lubricants Inc. and Pressure-Lube Inc., manufacturers and marketers of JAX Brand Lubricants, pioneered the development of food-grade USDA authorized lubricants. JAX Magna-Plate 8 was the first machinery lubricant authorized by the USDA for incidental food contact in 1962, more than 40 years ago. With over 130 USDA authorized products, we continue to be leaders in technology and innovation for high-performance food-processing equipment lubrication.

## **USDA discontinues authorization program**

On September 30, 1998, the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service discontinued its program of authorizing new and reformulated proprietary substances and nonfood compounds. Prior to this date, a product could be granted H1 authorization for incidental food contact. This meant that all ingredients used in a lubricant manufacturer's H1 authorized formula met the current FDA requirements under 21 CFR 178.3570. H2 authorization was granted to lubricants determined to contain no harmful ingredients as listed by the USDA. Since authorizations previously granted by the USDA will be maintained, H1 and H2 authorizations remain the standards for lubricants used in the Food-Processing Industry.

## **JAX products and services reduce risk to product and brand name integrity of top 100 food processors**

We recognize our responsibility as a world leader in the Food Processing arena. Virtually every member of Food Processing's Top 100 is taking advantage of JAX products and services.

Our commitment to the health and safety of JAX Food-Grade and Food-Processing Lubricants, protecting both manufacturers and their customers, has been our priority from the beginning. United States, Canadian and European agencies, along with JAX and other lubricant companies, are working toward international standards for food processing worldwide.

## **JAX classifies lubricants as Food-Grade (FG)**

In the interim, we will supply official documentation which certifies that the JAX product(s) so listed continue to abide by FDA and USDA requirements. JAX classifies food-grade (USDA H1) products as Food-Grade, or FG, Lubricants, and non-food contact (USDA H2) products as Food-Processing, or FP, Lubricants. The established USDA requirements for H1 and H2 authorization will continue to be strictly followed.

As an added measure of security, we have developed our own FG Seal. Each JAX Food Grade product has been assigned a seal according to the standards it meets, as listed on the ribbon. These seals take the guess work out of identification of Food Grade H1 approved lubricants for plant personnel.



## **What the future holds**

We will continue to evaluate JAX FG and FP Lubricants by the guidelines listed above, as well as continue to develop innovative new products and evaluate them according to established FDA and USDA standards along with monitoring any newer, relevant Industry & Government Agencies for future guidelines.