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## Peri & Sons Farms and Nunes Company Building State-of-the-Art Distribution Operation in Nevada

Yerington, NV-----Two of the nation's largest family run organic fresh produce operations have joined forces to build a state of the art cooling and distribution facility in Yerington, Nevada. The combined operations of the two companies have brought over 800 jobs to Lyon County to date, with additional job growth projected upon completion of the new distribution facility.

The joint venture partners are Nevada –based Peri & Sons, one of the country's largest onion growing operations, and Salinas, CA headquartered The Nunes Company, one of the nation's largest grower/shippers of organic fresh produce marketed under the Foxy organic brand name. The new facility, Walker River Cooling, is expected to open in May, 2017 and will service retailers, wholesalers and other buying organizations throughout North America.

“Nevada is truly fortunate to have these two dedicated family-run operations join forces to expand and create jobs in Lyon County. Over the years, I have been impressed with Peri & Sons Farms and look forward to its increased success when paired with the Nunes Company. This news proves how Nevada offers a pro-business climate where ventures like these do not just succeed but flourish,” said U.S. Senator Dean Heller of Nevada.

Peri & Sons and The Nunes Company have been working together since 2008, growing and marketing organic fresh vegetables in Lyon County for consumers across North America. Starting with 16 acres eight years ago, the two companies will grow and ship more than 25 million pounds of organic baby greens and 40 million pounds of organic fresh vegetables this year.

“It's paramount that we keep up with the demand of the growing organic marketplace and servicing our customers. This new facility will be an integral part of growing our business and plans for the future,” said Pam Peri, Executive Vice President of Peri & Sons Farms. “The advantages of building this new facility in Nevada are numerous. We will have the necessary land, water and labor resources needed in the coming years to continually supply our customers with the highest quality products available. The combined strength of our two companies coming together will mean greater efficiencies for us, as well as our customers.”

Construction of the new Walker River Cooling facility broke ground in early September and will be built in three phases.

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