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To whom it may concern

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Food Additives in Wall's Ice Cream are Halal

Reference is made to a recent circulating e-mail alleging that our Paddle Pop Rainbow Peak Ice Cream contains additives E471 and E407 which are said to be gelatine and originated from haram materials.

Regarding the allegation, first of all, we would like to reiterate that none of our ice creams contain gelatine. Both E471 and E407 are emulsifier and stabilizer respectively, and are not related to gelatine.

E471 is a code given to mono and diglycerides, a group of emulsifiers which can be derived from plant or animal sources. As with all of other Wall's Malaysia ice cream, we use only plant-based emulsifiers. On the other hand, E407 is a code given to carrageenan, a plant - based stabilizer.

Unilever Malaysia wishes to clarify that all Wall's range of products sold in Malaysia are Halal certified and meets the requirement of the Muslim community. For products manufactured in Thailand, which includes this ice cream, they are certified Halal by The Central Islamic Committee of Thailand (TCICOT), a local Halal certification body recognized by JAKIM.

Wall's also source its ice-cream from Indonesia, China and The Philippines - all of which receives Halal certifications from Majelis Ulama Indonesia (MUI), China Islamic Association (CIA) and Ulama Conference of The Philippines respectively. These are all JAKIM's accredited Islamic bodies overseas.

At Unilever, we respect the religious beliefs and practices of all consumers, and are sensitive to the needs and varying concerns of all our consumers. We take great effort to ensure that these needs are being met in the best possible manner.

For more information on all our products, please contact our consumer Careline at 1800 88 1315.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nik Mustapha Nik Mohamed', written over a circular stamp.

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