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MITSUBISHI INTERNATIONAL INTRODUCES NEW SEASONINGS, FLAVORS AND HEALTH AND FUNCTIONAL INGREDIENTS TO U.S. MARKET

New Ingredients will be Showcased at IFT Annual Meeting at Booth 3352

NEW YORK (July 8, 2003) – At the upcoming IFT Annual Meeting + Food Expo opening July 12th in Chicago, Mitsubishi International Corporation (MIC) will feature the value-added food ingredients and natural products of five Japanese manufacturers. MIC's presence at the show provides an opportunity for visitors to learn a great deal about diverse new products coming out of Japan and about the Japanese markets where these products are already being used extensively. Attending with MIC will be sales and research representatives from five manufacturers who focus on:

- **Probiotics**
- **Natural Diet and Exercise Ingredients**
- **Natural Seafood Extracts**
- **Natural Seasonings**
- **Natural Plant Extracts**

Many of these products are previewed in *Food Technology's* "Official Preview" of the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo. The IFT show and expo is organized annually by the Institute of Food Technologists, which was established in 1939 as a scientific and educational society. The show is for food scientists and related professionals, and this year will feature 1000 exhibitors, 1800 presentations, 55 symposia and an estimated 25,000 attendees.

MIC has been bringing innovative products to the IFT Annual Meeting for more than 15 years. In the food and feed additives market, the company works with more than 150 foods and food additives, ranging from emulsifiers and enzymes to soy derivatives and general and specialty sweeteners.

About Mitsubishi International Corporation

Mitsubishi International Corporation (MIC), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Mitsubishi Corporation, is a multi-industry trading and investment company with \$6.2 billion in annual revenue and 12 locations across the United States. Leveraging a worldwide network of international trading partners, the trading company conducts transactions in a comprehensive range of businesses, including chemicals, information technology, energy, metals, machinery and living essentials. MIC adds value through the ability to finance and invest in the development of companies and projects, as well as through expertise in providing the marketing, sourcing and logistics services needed for businesses to succeed. Headquartered in New York, the company may be found on the web at micusa.com.

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MIC's Tokyo-based parent company, Mitsubishi Corporation, is one of the world's largest and most diverse enterprises. The Company's close to 7,000 employees, coupled with its approximately 44,000 operating subsidiary employees, serve clients through a global network of almost 40 offices in Japan and nearly 200 overseas offices.

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