



MGP Again Earns Highest Audit Score from BRC Global Standards for Food and Beverage Safety

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Rigorous audit applied to all MGP facilities

ATCHISON, Kan., Dec. 04, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MGP (**Nasdaq: MGPI**) production facilities in Atchison, Kan., and Lawrenceburg, Ind., achieved the highest possible score of Grade AA given by BRC Global Standards for Food Safety in 2018. BRC Global conducted safety audits at the food ingredients and distillery operations in Atchison and at the Lawrenceburg distillery.

Each of the company's operations consistently earns the certification organization's highest rating. BRC Global criteria allow for a Grade AA if five or fewer non-conformances are cited out of more than 250 total audit items. BRC Global food and beverage safety audits are approved by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI), which benchmarks standards for third-party audits.

"These [top audit scores](#) from an internationally recognized independent source validate the dedication of everyone at MGP to assuring safe, quality food ingredients and beverage alcohol," said David Whitmer, corporate director of quality and alcohol R&D and innovation. "We are proud to provide the best for our customers."

About MGP

Founded in 1941, MGP (**Nasdaq: MGPI**) is a leading supplier of premium distilled spirits and specialty wheat proteins and starches. Distilled spirits include bourbon and rye whiskeys, gins and vodkas, which are carefully crafted through a combination of art and science backed by decades of experience. The company's proteins and starches are created in the same manner and provide a host of functional, nutritional and sensory benefits for a wide range of food products. MGP additionally is a top producer of high quality industrial alcohol for use in both food and non-food applications. The company is headquartered in Atchison, Kansas, where distilled alcohol products and food ingredients are produced. Premium spirits are also distilled and matured at the company's facility in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. For more information, visit mgpingredients.com.

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