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Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive Urges Canned Food Donations

NAMPA emphasizes the benefits of metal packaged foods and supports the nationwide initiative to collect donated cans of food on May 12, 2012.

Washington, D.C. (May 9, 2012) -- The North American Metal Packaging Alliance, Inc. (NAMPA) announces today its support for the nation's largest single-day food drive, *Stamp Out Hunger*, taking place on May 12, 2012. In an effort to provide assistance to the alarming number of Americans facing hunger, the *Stamp Out Hunger* food drive will collect donated cans of food, like soups, meats, fish, vegetables, juices, and fruits this Saturday. Collected food will be distributed to local food banks and hunger-relief organizations that often run low on food during summer months.

"Foods packaged in metal containers have unique qualities: they taste good, are nutritious and economical, and can be stored for up to two years, making them perfect for food drives like *Stamp Out Hunger*, and as an added bonus, the metal cans themselves are recyclable," says Dr. John Rost, NAMPA Chairman. "Thanks to these unique benefits of metal packaging, food drives across the country regularly call for canned foods to fill their shelves for long term assistance to those most in need."

The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) and the Campbell Soup Company are sponsoring the *Stamp Out Hunger* food drive. Now in its 20th year, the annual food drive has collected more than one billion pounds of food since its inception in 1993. To join in the upcoming food drive, Americans are asked to leave a bag of non-perishable food by their mailbox prior to the time of regular mail delivery on Saturday. For more details about the *Stamp Out Hunger* food drive, visit the website at www.helpstampouthunger.com.

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The North American Metal Packaging Alliance, Inc. and its members support sound science and trust the scientific review process that has protected our food supply for decades. For further information, visit www.metal-pack.org.

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