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TRADEMARK SECURITY INTEREST PARTIAL RELEASE

This TRADEMARK SECURITY INTEREST PARTIAL RELEASE (this "Partial Release") is entered into on March 10, 1998, to be effective as of July 31, 1996, by THE CIT GROUP/BUSINESS CREDIT, INC., a New York corporation, as the collateral agent for the ratable benefit of itself and the other financial institutions parties to the Credit Agreement described below (in such capacity, "Secured Party") in favor of Purina Mills, Inc. ("Grantor").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, PMI Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Acquisition Co.") entered into a Credit Agreement (as amended, supplemented or modified, the "Credit Agreement"), dated as of September 27, 1993, with the financial institutions parties thereto, Secured Party and Texas Commerce Bank, National Association, as administrative and syndication agent;

WHEREAS, Acquisition Co. was merged into Grantor;

WHEREAS, pursuant to a General Security Agreement (as amended, supplemented, or modified, the "General Security Agreement") dated as of September 27, 1993, executed by Grantor in favor of Secured Party and a Trademark Security Agreement (as amended, supplemented or modified, the "Trademark Security Agreement"; the General Security Agreement and the Trademark Security Agreement are collectively referred to herein as the "Security Agreements") executed as of September 23, 1993, to be effective as of September 27, 1993, and filed in Reel 1047, Frame 0325 of the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 8, 1993, Grantor granted Secured Party a security interest in, among other things, the trademarks described on Exhibit A hereto (the "Trademarks");

WHEREAS, on July 31, 1996, Grantor transferred the Trademarks to PM Resources, Inc. in compliance with the terms of the Credit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Secured Party desires to release its security interest in the Trademarks.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and agreements set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Secured Party hereby releases, relinquishes and discharges the Trademarks from the security interests granted pursuant to the Security Agreements.

It is expressly understood and agreed that this is a partial release only and that this Partial Release covers and relates only to the Trademarks and shall not in any way or manner affect the security interests of Secured Party in any other intellectual property of Grantor other than Trademarks or any other property of Grantor granted by the Security Agreements or any other Loan Document which security interests shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Partial Release is executed as of the date first above written to be effective as of July 31, 1996.

> THE CIT GROUP/BUSINESS CREDIT, INC., as Collateral Agent

Title: Assistant Vice President

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS

This instrument was acknowledged before me on March ____, 1998, by Timothy S. Culver, an Assistant Vice President of THE CIT GROUP/BUSINESS CREDIT, INC., a New York corporation, on behalf of such corporation.

SHANNON LYNN KNOBELSDORFF

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My Commission Expires:

(Type of Print Name of Notary)

EXHIBIT A

U.S. Registered Trademark	Reg. No.
Final Feast	1,767,900
Earth City Resources, Inc.	1,723,193
Farmgard	1,687,529
Trounce	1,712,972

RECORDED: 06/15/1998