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BESTON GLOBAL FOOD COMPANY SCOOPS SEVEN MAJOR AWARDS: INTRASTATE, INTERSTATE – AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED

- **BFC has been awarded two Gold Medals for its Edwards Crossing Cheeses during the recent judging of the SA Dairy Awards**
- **BFC has also been awarded multiple Medals at the Australian Food Awards**
- **BFC's innovative approach to crafting point-of-difference customer solutions has also resulted in winning the "Best Australian Cheddar Cheese" Award at the International Cheese and Dairy Competition in Nantwich, England for the second time in a row**

Beston Global Food Company Limited (ASX: BFC) continues to make its mark as a leader in the dairy industry with 46 significant awards now against its name in the space of three years.

BFC recently won the Best Colby Cheese in Australia at the prestigious 2018 Dairy Industry Australian Awards (DIAA), as well as six major cheese awards earlier at the Sydney Royal Cheese and Dairy Show. These **seven** new awards are testament to the skills of BFC's cheese-making team in crafting the finest of cheeses.

At the recent judging of the SA Dairy Awards, BFC's popular Edwards Crossing Cheddar and Gruyere Cheeses were the stars in their areas, both achieving Gold Medal status. The very next day, BFC was advised of a further five medals at Australian Food Awards in Victoria, consisting of one Gold Medal (Edwards Crossing Vintage Cheddar), one Silver Medal (Edwards Crossing Black Wax Vintage) and three Bronze Medals (Edwards Crossings Gouda, Colby and Romano).

BFC's talented Master Cheesemaker, Paul Connolly, humbly says, "I'm very proud and honoured to lead and mentor my team through every stage of the cheese-making process at our Murray Bridge and Jervois plants, to the point that we're continuously producing the highest standard of hard and semi-hard cheeses, as well as Mozzarella. To achieve such great results, I find to be such a wonderful endorsement of what we all do. I have to also add that skills and talent are not the only two important ingredients to our success; in its wisdom, BFC has invested heavily last financial year in the capital refurbishment of the hard and semi-hard cheese line and the Mozzarella plant, as well as in inventory of both parmesan and gruyere cheeses which will be released to the market from September. I am very much looking forward to continuing to build on the success of what we have achieved thus far and taking our award-winning cheeses to the marketplace".

Being a Gold Medal winner of these awards, BFC is now eligible to enter its Edwards Crossing cheese range into DIAA's Australian Grand Dairy Awards. These awards are considered the Grand Finale of dairy awards in Australia and is only open to Gold Medal winners from each state's competition.

Further to these outstanding achievements, BFC's skills in crafting innovative solutions assisted in securing an international top honour for one of BFC's customers, Pure Dairy (PD) at the recent International Cheese Competition in the UK.

BFC's Cheddar Cheese won first place for "Best Australian Mature Cheddar" at the International Cheese and Dairy Awards in Nantwich, England. Using PD's organic milk, BFC's Master Cheesemaker Paul Connolly designed the recipe and created the award-winning cheese which PD then submitted into the Competition. The event is recognised as the number one international cheese and dairy show in the world and attracts over 5,000 entries from top cheese and dairy product manufacturers from more than 50 countries.

"This is the second year in a row that this award-winning cheese produced by BFC has taken out the top award for Cheddar at the UK International Cheese and Dairy Competition and adds to the long string of medals which BFC has accumulated for its cheese products over the last three years. This is truly a homegrown success story with all our cheese manufactured locally from our factories in Murray Bridge and Jervois, using milk from the dairy farms BFC owns in the South East of South Australia. The tally of 46 medals in such a short period of time is rapidly building the value of our Edwards Crossing and other BFC brands in the marketplace", says BFC Chief Executive Officer's Sean Ebert.

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