



The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. Announces Pricing of Its Initial Public Offering

RIDGEFIELD, Conn., July 27, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (Nasdaq:[CHEF](#)), a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States, announced today that it has priced its initial public offering of 9,000,000 shares of common stock at \$15.00 per share. The Chefs' Warehouse is selling 4,666,667 shares and certain selling stockholders are selling 4,333,333 shares. The closing of the offering is expected to occur on August 2, 2011, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions. The underwriters will be granted a 30-day option to purchase an additional 1,350,000 shares of common stock from certain selling stockholders to cover over-allotments, if any. The Chefs' Warehouse will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholders.

Jefferies & Company, Inc., BMO Capital Markets Corp. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC are acting as joint book-running managers of this offering. The co-managers are BB&T Capital Markets and Canaccord Genuity Inc. The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus. A copy of the final prospectus related to this offering, when available, may be obtained by contacting Jefferies & Company, Inc., 520 Madison Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022, Attention: Equity Syndicate Prospectus Department, or by calling toll-free (877) 547-6340 or by email to prospectus_department@jefferies.com, or BMO Capital Markets Corp, Attention: Equity Syndicate Department 3 Times Square New York, NY 10036 or by calling (800) 414-3627 or by email to bmopropectus@bmo.com, or Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Attention: Equity Syndicate Department, 375 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10152, or by calling toll-free 800-326-5897 or by email to cmclientsupport@wellsfargo.com. The final prospectus may also be obtained on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site at www.sec.gov.

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About The Chefs' Warehouse

The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. (<http://www.chefswarehouse.com>) is a premier distributor of specialty food products in the United States focused on serving the specific needs of chefs who own and/or operate some of the nation's leading menu-driven independent restaurants, fine dining establishments, country clubs, hotels, caterers, culinary schools and specialty food stores. The Chefs' Warehouse, Inc. carries and distributes more than 11,500 products to more than 7,000 customer locations throughout the United States.

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