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Service Mark

Principal Register

FOOD EXPORT ASSOCIATION OF THE MIDWEST USA
(ILLINOIS CORPORATION)
309 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 606063206

CLASS 35: association services, namely, promoting the interests of food producers and industry professionals in promoting food and agricultural products

FIRST USE 7-1-2006; IN COMMERCE 7-1-2006

The color(s) red, white, light blue, dark blue, gray is/are claimed as a feature of the mark.

The mark consists of a portion of a light blue globe design showing North America and South America as an overlay in dark blue shading with the United States in white with a gray shaded circle in the upper center portion, and to the right is the stylized stacked words "FOOD EXPORT" in red lettering above "MIDWEST USA" in light blue lettering.

No claim is made to the exclusive right to use the following apart from the mark as shown: " MIDWEST USA"

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