

TRADING COMPANIES



Agriculture is North Carolina's number one industry and accounts for almost one-fifth of the state's income and employees. More than 17% of the state's gross product is contributed by food, fiber and forestry.

North Carolina is ranked first in the nation for tobacco and sweet potato production. North Carolina's diverse agriculture industry allows us to be ranked second in the nation for poultry and egg production, as well as third in the United States for cucumbers and fifth for bell peppers. North Carolina's three largest export products are tobacco, pork products and forestry products. We export to over 150 countries and our top partner countries are China, Canada and Mexico.

When looking to import, always remember, it's
"Got To Be NC Agriculture!"

ARDA TRADE AND EXPORT



ARDA Trade and Export provides strategies to get US products and produce into West African markets.

- Partnership development
- Dedicate time and specialized knowledge to facilitate exports into market segments
- Market study and risk assessment
- We save your firm the cost of having its own personnel to operate an export division
- Develop business to experience satisfactory growth
- Unique knowledge of business customs and trade practices allows us to build goodwill with government functionaries and control customer perception

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BNR GLOBAL



BNR Global offers a wide array of Made in USA food products to international markets. We have been providing quality products to distributors in various overseas markets since 1995, helping them to grow their businesses and profits. We have available now: instant meals, dried soups, powdered milk and drinks, gravies, sauces, cake and cookie mixes, potato and rice meals. BNR Global has a focus on:

- Export from USA
- House brand products
- Private labeling

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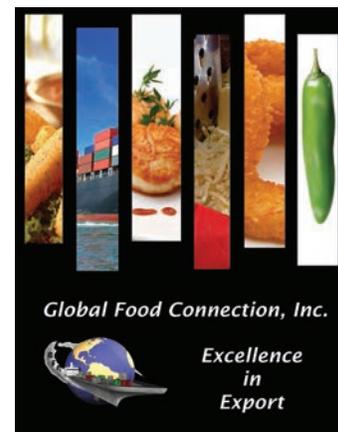
E. Boyd & Associates, Inc.

E. Boyd & Associates was founded in 1978. We are a distributor of food to world markets. The main products are frozen vegetables and fruit, frozen potatoes and french fries, juice concentrates, seafood and poultry, as well as specialty items.

Our customers include those in the manufacturing, foodservice and retail sectors. We offer packaging in bulk bins, assorted carton sizes and customer private branding in retail units. We welcome the opportunity to serve your company.

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GLOBAL FOOD CONNECTION INC.



Global Food Connection, Inc. is an export/import trading company as well as a domestic brokering and commodities trading company. Global Food Connection, with offices in Rocky Mount, NC, as well as Danville and Richmond in Virginia, is your one source for all food and foodservice needs worldwide.

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MERCATOR INC.



Mercator is an international trading company, which begins with the passion and drive of its founders in Raleigh, NC, in 2003. The high expectations and work ethic of our group has fueled our growth for over a decade. With markets constantly changing, Mercator eagerly continues to adapt and offer new and existing business partners a simple and profitable way of doing business. Our team of experts is dedicated to the export/import of agricultural products worldwide. We bring global procurement, professional logistics, and exceptional service to our customers. Mercator's expertise and the collaboration of our affiliated companies, Mercator Mundi in Mexico, A Portus Freight Forwarding Services in Pharr, TX, and Mercator Orbi in Canada, allow us to provide extensive alternatives for both our suppliers and customers globally.

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MERCHANTS DISTRIBUTORS LLC (MDI)



Merchants Distributors (MDI) is a privately owned wholesale grocery store distributor headquartered in Hickory, NC. MDI supplies over 800 US retail food stores in 14 states with food and non-food items. Today, MDI's food distribution reach also extends to over 30 different countries worldwide. By offering over 36,000 items to choose from, MDI makes it possible for international buyers to reduce their freight expense by building or consolidating products to make full, mixed containers.

Consolidation Services is a third party logistics and service provider. A division of MDI, Consolidation Services supplies a vast array of warehousing and distribution services specializing in assisting manufacturers with their order fulfillment and distribution. We operate a 200,000-square-foot bonded 3PL facility with consistent ASI ratings of Superior. Additionally, Consolidation Services is the only active Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) operating in Western North Carolina. We work with all levels of customers including E-Commerce.

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MERIDIEN EXPORT AND PACKING INC.



Meridien Export and Packing, Inc. headquartered in Raleigh, NC, is an exporter and distributor of frozen and value-added food products. Our principal activity is to provide best services in development, production and sales of food products to our clients around the world. Twenty years of experience in the market enables us to be your strategic partner who knows how to navigate in ever-changing international market conditions. Our product line includes frozen and processed meat, poultry, as well as North Carolina agricultural products. We have a long-lasting relationship with a network of reputable suppliers and can always provide the highest quality product at a competitive price. We help our suppliers and buyers to analyze market opportunities and find best products that suit their needs.

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North Carolina's Rank in U.S. Agriculture - 2012

- No. 1** Tobacco, Sweet Potatoes
- No. 2** Poultry & Eggs, Hogs & Pigs, Christmas Trees, Trout, Turkeys
- No. 3** Cucumbers
- No. 4** Broilers, Strawberries, Tomatoes, Upland Cotton
- No. 5** Bell Peppers, Catfish, Greenhouse/Nursey, Peanuts, Squash
- No. 6** Cabbage, Snap Beans
- No. 7** Blueberries, Watermelons
- No. 8** Livestock, Dairy & Poultry
- No. 9** Chickens (12-1-10)(Excludes Broilers), Eggs - Value of Production
- No. 10** Grapes, Sweet Corn

Other items: Winter Wheat, Apples, Peaches, Soybeans and more.

(Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service - USDA)