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Thorntons Celebrates 200th Store Opening

Company Opens Two New Chicagoland Locations in Single Day

(Louisville, KY – December 18, 2019) – As a first in the company’s history, Thorntons LLC opens two new locations in one day for a total of 200 stores in six states. We are proud to open these state of the art Travel Centers in Monee, IL and Cicero, IL. The stores will open on Thursday afternoon, December 19 with grand opening celebrations and ribbon cutting events to follow on Friday, December 20. These openings bring the company’s total new stores in 2019 to nine, six of which opened in Illinois over the past three months.

The Travel Center sites offer a variety of amenities, including:

- CAT Scale for truck weighing
- Free truck parking spaces
- LED lighting for guest safety and energy efficiency
- Top of the line beverages
- Burritos and sandwiches made fresh in store everyday

“Today we celebrate a special milestone for our company with the opening of our 200th store in Cicero, IL. Our team has been hard at work over the last few months to deliver this fantastic growth enabled by our new owners and I couldn’t be more proud of these fabulous new stores,” said Simon Richards, President and Chief Executive Officer. “Thorntons is 200 strong and growing. We are excited about the future and look forward to serving even more guests and bringing jobs to more communities.”

Thorntons invites our neighbors in Monee and Cicero to join our Grand Opening celebrations on Friday, December 20. Events will include games and giveaways along with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony featuring Simon Richards and other special guests. Details for each event follow below.

Monee, IL Grand Opening

25461 S. Ridgeland Ave.

Monee, IL 60449

Event Time: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: 10 a.m. CT

Cicero, IL – 200th Store Grand Opening

3503 S. Cicero Ave.

Cicero, IL 60804

Event Time: 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. CT

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: 2 p.m. CT

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About Thorntons LLC

Based in Louisville, Kentucky, Thorntons operates 200 stores that provide fresh foods, high quality beverages and fuel in six states: Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee and Florida. The company is on a mission to be people’s favorite place to stop when they are on-the-go and people’s favorite place to work. Thorntons is a vertically integrated company with its own fuel terminal, blending plants, transportation fleet and commissary. Thorntons has a passion for giving back to the communities where Team Members and guests live and work. Thorntons volunteers make their communities better through community service, humanitarian day events and fundraising projects. Learn more about Thorntons by visiting www.mythorntons.com. Connect with Thorntons on Facebook www.facebook.com/thorntonsllc and Twitter @ThorntonsLLC.