

**Press Release**  
**July 19, 2002**

Seneca Foods Corporation net sales for the first quarter ended June 29, 2002, totaled \$123,255,000 versus \$132,693,000 for the comparable period last year. The current quarter's net earnings were \$1,932,000 or \$.19 per diluted share, compared with a net loss of \$1,286,000 or \$.20 per diluted share, last year.

Seneca is primarily a vegetable processing company with manufacturing facilities located throughout the United States. Its products are sold under the Libby's®, Aunt Nellie's Farm Kitchen®, and Seneca® labels as well as through the private label and industrial markets. In addition, under an alliance with The Pillsbury Company, Seneca produces canned and frozen vegetables which are sold by Pillsbury under the Green Giant® label. Seneca's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq National Stock Market under the symbols "SENEA" and "SENEB".

**Seneca Foods Corporation**  
**Consolidated Statements of Net Earnings**  
**For the Periods Ended June 29, 2002 and 2001**  
**(In thousands of dollars, except share data)**

	Quarter	
	2002	2001
Net sales	\$ 123,255	\$ 132,693
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	\$ 3,274	\$ (2,009)
Income taxes	1,342	(723)
Net earnings (loss)	\$ 1,932	\$ (1,286)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.29	\$ (0.20)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.20)
Weighted average shares outstanding basic	6,588,637	6,582,359
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted (Note 2)	10,225,371	6,582,359

Note 1: The diluted earnings per share includes the effect of convertible shares.  
Note 2: Since 2001 shows a loss, accounting standards don't allow a loss to be diluted, therefore, basic and diluted shares and loss per share are the same.