

## **LOT CODE EXPLANATION**

Our lot number is a sequential number assigned to a specific batch produced at Northwest Naturals. Lot numbers are never reused; each is a unique identifier for a specific batch. Our internal tracking system uses the product code and the lot number, although the lot number alone is adequate as an identifier. In some straight commodities, where we are not making a batch, we will use a similar coding system but include the Julian receiving date. Please refer to the examples below.

If a batch: B-08-01234

This was a batch made in 2008 and was approximately the one thousand two hundred thirty-fourth batch made.

If a commodity where no blending occurred: P-07-312HX10

This is a non-blended product received November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The rest of the digits (HX10) are internal source codes that aid in the uniqueness of the lot number.

If a commodity made for Northwest Naturals: TP-09-152

This is a processed product, typically a clarified juice concentrate, received June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

In all cases please refer to the six digit product code for the product type.