UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION March 6, 2009

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

The Pantry, Inc.

File No. 000-25813 - CF# 23062

The Pantry, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting an extension of a previous grant of confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-Q filed on May 10, 2005.

Based on representations by The Pantry, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.1 through December 31, 2014 Exhibit 10.3 through August 31, 2010

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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