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ACP Nomination Short Biographical Statement

**Samer Mohamed, Wonderful Pistachios and Almonds**

Thank you for the candidate nomination for the Handler Position 2 seat with the Administrative Committee for Pistachios. Being considered as a candidate for this position will allow me to continue in the role and engage, lead, and be part of a team and industry that have common aspirations and goals. The Pistachio industry and its respective growers and processors contribute significantly to the healthy snacking industry around the world and being part of that industry in this capacity would be an honor.

I am the General Manager of Quality Systems at Wonderful Pistachios and Almonds, the largest vertically integrated tree nut processor in the world. For the past nine years, in my capacity, I have the privilege of leading the Quality Assurance, Food Safety, Customer Service, Research and Development, Purchasing, Global Call Center and several other departments with the common goal of producing the highest quality products and exceeding our consumer's expectations. Additionally, I am part of the senior leadership team at the operational level. I am technically minded and a logical process thinker and look at every issue and opportunity factually to make the best decision going forward.

In addition to my tenure with Wonderful Pistachios and Almonds, I am President of a Charter School Board in San Luis Obispo County. Being involved in my son's education and the helping improve the overall public education standards in California is my personal goal. Thank you the consideration as a candidate for the Handler Position 2.