

NATIONAL QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER

PERFECTION FRESH AUSTRALIA PTY LTD – Australia's leading fully integrated grower, marketer and distributor of fresh produce is seeking an ambitious and energetic individual to lead our National Quality Assurance Team based at Homebush, New South Wales. This is an integral role to the company's success given its commitment to excellence and the production of high quality products.

Reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, the primary purpose of this role is setting the structure to assist the manufacturing and packaging facilities comply with their regulatory and customer requirements. In so doing, you will need to provide stewardship for all aspects of Quality Management Systems, including HACCP, SQF, GMP and ISO so as to ensure that all accreditations are maintained.

This position is an exceptional leadership opportunity, has a strategic and operational focus and is a hands-on, dynamic role.

Your key responsibilities include:

- Developing and implementing the QA strategy to ensure quality food standards and processes are fully integrated into operational practices;
- Identifying and capitalising on opportunities to strengthen our processes around environmental compliance;
- Undertaking policy and procedural development to ensure QA compliance on a national basis;
- Driving key stakeholder relationships with internal business partners, external agencies and our customers;
- Developing, implementing and reviewing Standard Operating Procedures;
- Developing and implementing KPI measurement and reporting systems;
- Measuring site QA representatives' compliance with documentation relating to HACCP, SQF and ISO;
- Facilitating and coordinating national and site QA representatives to review and implement best practice;
- Ensuring continuous improvement of quality systems and processes through internal and external audit processes;
- Working with Sales and Marketing teams to provide input into new product development activities;
- Problem-solving food safety and quality system issues;
- Coaching or mentoring members within or outside QA team;
- Leading QA Team of five direct reports.

You must be tertiary qualified in food science, technology or equivalent with strong, well-established experience in an FMCG environment. Knowledge/experience within fresh/chilled produce processing is a distinct advantage, but not essential. You will be an exceptional communicator with analytical abilities and have a thorough knowledge of GMP and regulatory requirements/legislations.

This role will provide the right person with an excellent career opportunity to lead and influence the direction of one of Australia's leading produce companies. You will be given the opportunity to showcase your experience across food and beverage manufacturing and demonstrate leadership capabilities in a dynamic environment.

You will enjoy excellent remuneration, benefits and career opportunities that an established company like Perfection Fresh Australia and its group of companies offers.

Only those applicants with the right to work in Australia are invited to apply. Applicants are advised that Perfection Fresh is an Equal Opportunity employer and all applicants received will be treated fairly and with respect.

Applications close Friday, February 10, 2012.