

Mark Cocchiola, the former Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Suprema Specialties, Inc. (“Suprema”), is scheduled to be sentenced by U.S. District Judge Stanley R. Chesler on March 27, 2008, at 11 a.m. (The prior sentencing date of Feb. 28 was adjourned.) Steven Venechanos, Suprema’s former Chief Financial Officer and Secretary, is now scheduled to be sentenced on April 7, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. Pursuant to the “Justice for All Act of 2004” (18 U.S.C. Sec. 3771), any victim of a criminal defendant’s fraudulent acts is entitled to notice of any public proceedings.

Victims are also entitled to be reasonably heard in any public proceeding, including a sentencing hearing. If you believe that you or your organization was a victim of the fraud that was announced on July 11, 2005, you have the right to be heard at the defendants’ sentencings either by letter, email or in person by appearing at the sentencing hearings, which will take place at the U.S. Post Office and Courthouse, Federal Square, Newark, NJ.

If you have questions or would like further information, please contact Victim Witness Program Manager Shirley Estreicher at [Shirley.Estreicher@usdoj.gov](mailto:Shirley.Estreicher@usdoj.gov), and please consult the U.S. Attorney’s Public Affairs Office website: [www.usdoj.gov/usao/nj/press/index.html](http://www.usdoj.gov/usao/nj/press/index.html) to determine if there has been any change in the date and time of sentencing.