Network Finished 9th in Cable Prime

Up +22% from May 2011, Network's 9th Consecutive Record-Breaking Month

NEW YORK – May 30, 2012 – May showers viewers with exciting programing as Food Network has its best May in network history (up 22 percent from May 2011). The month posted a .5 rating adults 25-54 and was watched nightly by an average of 1.1 million total P2+ viewers making it the most-watched and highest-rated May ever. May marks the 9th consecutive month that Food Network has had "highest-ever" individual, monthly delivery. The network also ranked 9th among ad-supported cable networks A25-54 for the month, up 7 spots from last year, according to Nielsen Media Research.

Sunday night tentpole series Food Network Star<http://www.foodnetwork.com/star> returned for season eight on May 13th and has had over 14.7 million total P2+ fans tune-in to-date for the new format featuring team mentors Bobby Flay, Giada De Laurentiis and newcomer Alton Brown vie in a three-way team competition, each with a hand-selected team they produce and counsel through the 'Star' experience to find one ultimate winner. Food Network Star's 8pm lead-in, Cupcake Champions<http://www.foodnetwork.com/cupcake-wars/index.html> (featuring former winners of popular primetime series Cupcake Wars) has pulled a .6 adults 25-54 rating since its May 13th premiere up +50% over year ago timeslot delivery.

In May, new episodes of mainstays Chopped, Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives and Restaurant: Impossible all posted a .8 adults 25-54 rating or better within respective timeslots, each ranking among the top 10 cable shows within their time periods.