Beef Enchilada Soup

Serves 8 (1 quart)

Ground Beef 8 oz. Canola Oil 2 tsp. 3/8" Diced Onion 2 oz. **Beef Base** 1 ¼ tsp. **Ground Cumin** 3/8 tsp. Light Chili Powder 1/2 tsp. **Granulated Garlic** 5/8 tsp. Cayenne Pepper 1/8 tsp. Masa Harina 1 3/4 oz. Water 2 cups **Canned Crushed Tomatoes** 2 3/4 oz. Velveeta Cheese, Cubed 1 1/4 oz.

- 1. Brown ground beef. Let cool slightly. Set aside.
- 2. In a pot heat oil. Add and cook onions for 5 minutes.
- 3. Stir in masa harina to make a roux. Cook 5-7 minutes.
- 4. While whisking the roux, slowly stream in water. Stir constantly to eliminate lumps.
- 5. Add crushed tomatoes, base, and spices. Bring to a low boil. Reduce heat to a simmer.
- 6. In batches, gradually add cheese. Stir until melted and smooth.
- 7. Add ground beef. Heat through.
- 8. Adjust taste with salt, as needed.
- 9. Reserve and serve warm, 145°F minimum.