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Face the Music Recasts Sly and the Family Stone for Playtex

New York (Jan. 07, 2004) -- Face the Music's Tony Shimkin gave a funky new twist to the Sly and the Family Stone classic Thank You (Falleinme Be Mice Elf Agin) in scoring a new spot for Playtex. The spot, out of Kraftworks, New York, introduces Playtex' "Thank goodness it fits" line, the first to include half-size bras. Adam Joseph was executive producer for Face the Music.

In the spot, French model and actress Noemie Lenoir dances to the rejuvenated '70s anthem. It ends with the tagline, "Half size too for a more perfect fit."

Shimkin set out to preserve the essence of the song's '70s style funkiness while placing it in a more contemporary context. "I'm a big fan of that song," recalled Shimkin. "I'm a bass player by nature and that song is all about the bass line; every hook is played by the bass."



Shimkin recorded versions of the song with male and female vocalists and ultimately decided to blend the two with the male voice taking the lead. "Although the spot is for Playtex, we felt there was no reason it couldn't be a man's voice singing," he said. "Yet, we really liked the effect of mixing the female vocals into the chorus. In the end, we recorded a second female vocalists and mixed her vocals in as well. That made the chorus sound big and kept the 'family' in the Sly and the Family Stone vibe."