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It doesn't seem possible that Fall is just weeks away. I hope your August has been as busy as it has been for Elegant Foods. Things are winding down a bit as the kids are returning to school, but we are hoping for a busy fall tourist season.

As Fall approaches and the weather cools down, we have soups from Blount and True to warm your customers. We have a wide variety of sauces and flavorings from Torani, Monin and Da Vinci for fall drink creations, and from Vermont, Mountain Spiced Apple Cider. If we can offer any suggestions as we transition into cooler temperatures, please give our office or your sales representative a call.

The news has been full of product shortages and many are related to global weather issues. California based Huy Fong foods, the maker of Sriracha, states that the drought has caused a severe chili pepper shortage. They are already two years behind in production. Potato yields are down due to high temperatures in Idaho, and bad weather and war are dropping the supply of chickpeas, the main ingredient in hummus. Spain has experienced another heat wave and that will slow the production of olive oil. Tomato based products are feeling the effects of draught in California. San Pellegrino is struggling with sparkling water products due to the shortage of CO2, and draught-like conditions in Canada and France have caused a poor harvest of mustard seeds, resulting in a short supply of Dijon Mustard over the next few months. We will keep these predictions in mind while trying to keep stock over the next few months.

We have two new flavors of La Panzanella crackers in stock, retail Multigrain Mini Croccantini and Sprouted Grain Mini Croccantini. (12 per case, 6 oz.) for \$39.29.

Please note that our bakery has experienced a high volume of orders this year and we are working hard to keep up. Wheat-free items are in particularly high demand. If you have any special occasions or large orders for Elegant Food's bakery, please plan ahead and make sure to give us a call.

Thank you for choosing to work with Elegant Foods! We appreciate your business.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Olson