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RATING CHANGES

Balboa Culinary Inc. -- dba Gourmet Culinary -- Vista, CA (#848143) **U to C**

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H=High Risk T=Too New to Score S=Significant Event U=Unable to Score**

SPECIAL UPDATE

General Food News -- Portland, ME -- The U.S. government lost a major part of its appeal June 29 against a World Trade Organization (WTO) ruling on meat labeling -- In a ruling the WTO appellate body said the U.S. government's mandatory country of origin labeling (COOL) requirements violates trade agreements "by according less favorable treatment to imported Canadian cattle and hogs than to like domestic cattle and hogs" -- The WTO also said COOL has a detrimental impact on imported livestock because the record keeping and verification requirements create an incentive for processors to use exclusively domestic livestock and a disincentive against using like imported livestock -- Still, the WTO appellate body reversed its earlier finding that COOL fails to fulfill its goal of providing information on origin -- The U.S. government began mandating COOL labels in March of 2009, despite opposition from many meat processors concerned it would raise costs and disrupt trade -- Canada and Mexico made the original complaint against COOL in 2008 -- A dispute resolution panel ruled last November that the COOL violated WTO rules on technical barriers to trade and the U.S. appealed the ruling in March (#69685)

Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd. -- Minneapolis, MN -- Granite City Food & Brewery Ltd announced June 29 it received a letter of determination from Nasdaq confirming that it regained compliance with the applicable minimum shareholders' equity rule and is in compliance with all other applicable requirements for listing on Nasdaq -- In late March, Granite City conveyed it had received the decision of the Nasdaq hearings panel to grant the company's request for continued listing, subject to certain conditions -- Those conditions included the requirement that on or before June 23 the business report it completed a definitive agreement for an equity investment in an amount sufficient to ensure that it will have shareholders' equity in excess of \$2.5 million upon completion of the transaction -- Granite City completed a transaction with its controlling shareholder, Concept Development Partners LLC, on June 26, pursuant to which Concept Development invested an additional \$6.5 million in the restaurant business in exchange for just over 3.1 million shares of Granite City's common stock -- Had Granite City been unable to meet the Nasdaq hearing panel's conditions, its shares would have been subject to delisting from the Nasdaq stock market (#827797)

NEWS DIGEST

CJL Enterprises, Inc. dba C.J.'s Seafood -- Breau Bridge, LA -- Wal-Mart suspends purchases from C.J.'s Seafood

As a result of eight immigrant workers walking off the job and filing a complaint against CJL Enterprises Inc, which conducts business

as C.J.'s Seafood, alleging violations of the fair labor standards act with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wal-Mart Stores Inc suspended purchasing seafood items from the company.

According to a petition started by one of the immigrant workers to persuade Wal-Mart to cancel its contact with the company, C.J.'s Seafood sells 85% of its products to Wal-Mart.

The eight immigrant workers wrote a letter to the U.S. Department of Labor June 6 requesting an immediate investigation and compensation for illegal non-payment of federal overtime wages under the fair labor standards act and retaliation for previous attempts to obtain the lawful federal wage.

In their letter, the eight immigrant workers at CJL Enterprises dba C.J.'s Seafood said they came to the United States earlier this year to work in the H-2B program. The H-2B program is a guest worker visa system that lets American employers hire foreign nationals when they cannot find enough local citizens for the job.

According to the letter, C.J.'s Seafood employs about 40 H-2B guest workers from Mexico. The letter alleges that the company failed to pay overtime or keep the records required by the fair labor standards act.

In addition to violations regarding pay and record keeping and regulatory violations, the letter alleges that C.J.'s Seafood engaged in extremely coercive employment related actions, including forcing guest workers to work up to 24-hour shifts with no overtime pay, locking guest workers in the plant to force them to continue to work, threatening the guest workers with beatings to make them work faster and threatening violence against the guest workers' families in Mexico after workers contacted law enforcement for assistance.

The letter explains that the workers are currently engaged in a work stoppage since June 4 after C.J.'s Seafood allegedly refused to bring its employment practices into compliance with federal law and after the company made and refused to disavow retaliatory threats against the guest workers' families.

SEAFAX's message for the principals of CJL Enterprises dba C.J.'s Seafood regarding the allegations June 29 was not returned. (#30265)

Gulf Crest Kitchen, Inc. -- Jacksonville, FL -- Gulf Crest Kitchen confirms purchase of Ocean Galley assets

Joanne Zimmerman confirmed that Gulf Crest Kitchen Inc, doing business as Ocean Galley, on June 26 completed the purchase of the assets of Mayport Wholesale Seafood Inc, which did business as Ocean Galley Seafood, after emerging as the successful bidder in a bankruptcy court conducted auction.

Zimmerman, who is Gulf Crest Kitchen's corporate secretary, confirmed the entity was established in May by Sylvia S. Pitman, the company's sole stockholder, to acquire the bankrupt company's assets.

Pitman is also the vice president and treasurer of Shaw's Southern Belle Frozen Foods Inc and a stockholder of Southern Belle Frozen Foods Inc. In addition, Zimmerman is Shaw's Southern Belle Frozen Foods' vice president of finance.

According to Zimmerman, the only relationship between Gulf Crest Kitchen and Shaw's Southern Belle Frozen Foods is that she and Pitman are principals of both companies.

Although financial details related to the transaction were not disclosed, bankruptcy court documents state Mayport Wholesale Seafood entered into a purchase agreement that would see Gulf Crest Kitchen acquiring the debtor's assets for the sum of \$62,500. The assets sold by Mayport Wholesale Seafood included inventory, supplies, furniture, fixtures, equipment, leases and the "Ocean Galley" trade name.

Mayport Wholesale Seafood, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy on March 28, previously said its petition was filed on an emergency basis in an attempt to save or sell the business.

Mayport Wholesale Seafood was established in 1985 and operated as a seafood and fish processor which sold its value added products on the wholesale market.
(#853108)

Hillshire Brands Company, The dba Chef Pierre -- Downers Grove, IL -- Sara Lee completes spin off

The Hillshire Brands Company announced that effective at the opening of the market on June 29, the company's common stock has begun quotation and trading under the symbol "HSH" on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

Hillshire Brands was formed as a result of Sara Lee Corporation completing the spin off of its North American business and its international coffee and tea operations.

In January of 2011, Sara Lee revealed that its board of directors agreed in principle to divide the company into two separate publicly traded entities. Hillshire Brands is the name for Sara Lee's former North American business, which focuses on meat-centric food products and foodservice operations, and DE Master Blenders 1753 is the new business responsible for Sara Lee's former international coffee and tea operations.

Hillshire Brands now manages several brands, including Jimmy Dean, Hillshire Farm, Ball Park, Aidells, Gallo Salame and State Fair.

According to Hillshire Brands, the company will generate nearly \$4 billion in annual sales and has approximately 8,500 employees.

In March, Sara Lee's wholly owned subsidiary, DE International Holdings BV, filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). DE International Holdings' leading brands include Douwe Egberts, Senseo, Pickwick, Maison du Cafe, L'OR, Cafe Pilao, Marcilla and Bimbo.

Sara Lee conveyed in January, 2011 that both Hillshire Brands and DE International Holdings are projected to have an investment grade credit profile, a competitive dividend yield, a corporate tax

rate of about 35% and future financial flexibility with a targeted gross leverage of double its earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA).
(#13347)

LT Seafood LP -- Houston, TX -- Court denies new trial requested by LT Seafood

The U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas issued an order June 20 denying a motion for a new trial from LT Seafood LP and other defendants in litigation filed against them that concluded earlier this year with a judgment award granted to Spring Street Partners - IV LP of \$7.8 million.

As reported, on February 29, the federal court issued an opinion and final judgment in a civil case first filed in January, 2008 and styled Spring Street Partners - IV LP v Lam et al. The federal district court found that the defendants had orchestrated a series of fraudulent transfers in violation of the Texas Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act (TUFTA) to remove Douglas K. Lam's assets, including a 49% interest in LT Seafood LP, from the reach of his creditors, and granted Spring Street Partners' motion for partial summary judgment on fraudulent transfers in its entirety. On March 21, the court entered an amended final judgment correcting clerical errors and dismissing all counterclaims against Spring Street Partners.

The final judgment awarded Spring Street Partners \$7.8 million from LT Seafood plus post-judgment interest of .17%. Additionally, the judgment awarded Spring Street Partners \$382,000, jointly and severally, plus the same post-judgment interest, from DKL&DTL Family Management LLC, Douglas K. Lam, Diane Lam, En Kha Lam, Long Lam and Vinh Ngo, as well as from Ten Lam and Vinh Ngo, jointly and severally, \$150,000 plus post-judgment interest.

The defendants on March 27 filed motions seeking a new trial and to re-assert arguments already raised in previous pleadings and rejected by the court.

Ultimately, the court rejected the pleading.

SEAFAX's calls on June 29 to LT Seafood to ascertain the entity's present operational status were unsuccessful as the company's phone rings unanswered before eventually being picked up by a voice mail system. Efforts to bypass the automated recording system and reach a live person were unsuccessful as well.

SEAFAX conducted a personal collection visit to LT Seafood LP in late April, only to find no one available with an ability to address accounts payable matters.

To date, and since the beginning of April, nine separate vendors have placed a combined total exceeding \$234,700 for collection with SEAFAX. Those debts represent unpaid invoices dating back to January.

While SEAFAX's collection representative was able to enter the lobby of the facility in late April, he was not able to enter into the inner offices and was informed that Ten Lam, LT Seafood LP's president and reportedly its sole owner, remained out of the country for several weeks.

SEAFAX also obtained the name of an attorney representing the company, but that individual could only confirm that Lam was in Vietnam for an unknown period of time attending to the deaths of at

least two family members.

Lam is also listed as the manager of LT Seafood Management LLC and J N T Group LLC. Both of those entities list their physical address at the same location as that where LT Seafood LP operates its business.

Established in 2005, LT Seafood has a history of trade payment slowness with its suppliers.

Lam was previously the treasurer of Houston, TX-based Bayou City Fish Co, an entity that sought Chapter 7 bankruptcy relief in August, 2008.

The litigation, initiated in January, 2008 stemmed from Bayou City Fish Co's secured creditor, Spring Street Partners, claiming it held eight separate promissory notes through assignment from Wachovia Bank. As of the debtor's August, 2008 Chapter 7 petition date, the amount outstanding on the promissory notes totaled \$8.85 million, secured by first priority liens on substantially all of Bayou City Fish Co's assets. The Chapter 7 trustee said Douglas K. Lam, the debtor entity's president and sole stockholder, executed unconditional guarantees of Bayou City Fish Co's obligations to Spring Street Partners under the promissory notes.

Spring Street Partners filed the lawsuit against Douglas Lam and an entity named DKL&DTL Family Management LLC and others, asserting Lam and his wife were the owners of that company. The action alleged the defendants breached their obligations under various secured loans totaling nearly \$8.6 million that were also personally guaranteed by Lam. Furthermore, the lawsuit asserted fraudulent transfers and a scheme to defraud Lam's creditors.

Spring Street Partners said Wachovia Bank assigned it the secured notes in December, 2006. Afterward, Bayou City Fish and Lam were in default under the various loans because of their failure to make required payments. The plaintiff stated the notes were later accelerated after payment and cure demands were ignored.

The lawsuit alleged in February, 2005 that Lam and his sister, Ten Lam, formed LT Seafood LP adjacent to Bayou City Fish Co's location, owning 49% and 51% of the interest of that business, respectively. Spring Street Partners contended Wachovia Bank gave notice of its intent to accelerate and collect upon the obligations owed by Bayou City Fish Co and Lam, and that 10 days later Lam and his wife, Diane Lam, formed DKL&DTL Family Management LLC. Between November, 2006 and October, 2007, Douglas Lam, according to Spring Street Partners, conveyed his 49% interest in LT Seafood LP to DKL&DTL Family Management LLC, and thereafter in October, 2007 conveyed his interest in DKL&DTL Family Management LLC to Ten Lam for less than a reasonably equivalent value.

The lawsuit sought actual damages, exemplary damages, pre-judgment and post-judgment interest, costs of suit, attorneys' fees and all other relief in law and in equity to which Spring Street Partners could be entitled.

The defendants filed an answer to the complaint admitting the loan defaults and payment demands made by the plaintiff, but Lam denied he was liable under the guarantees. Lam also admitted he and his sister formed LT Seafood LP at a date preceding the execution of the notes sued upon by the plaintiff, but stated he was not involved in the management of the business. Lam asserted the title of all equipment, inventory and banking relationships used by LT Seafood was in the name of that entity and were not used by

Bayou City Fish in any manner. Furthermore, Douglas Lam contended DKL&DTL Family Management LLC was formed prior to the dates Spring Street Partners acquired the notes from Wachovia Bank to provide estate planning and continuity of operations for he and his wife's estate.

As for the transfer of his ownership interest of LT Seafood LP to Ten Lam, Douglas Lam said any transfer was for or in excess of market value and was made in good faith.
(#679402)

Overhill Farms, Inc. -- Vernon, CA -- Lawsuit against Overhill Farms denied class action status

The Los Angeles Superior Court issued a ruling in a donning and doffing lawsuit filed in July, 2009 against Overhill Farms Inc, denying class action status in the complaint filed by former employees of the company.

The lawsuit claimed Overhill Farms required employees to put on and remove protective clothing and wash their hands before and after working without pay, along with other violations of labor laws. Overhill Farms had denied the allegations.

"We have stated from the outset that we believe these claims were completely without merit, and are pleased by the court's ruling," said James Rudis, Overhill Farms' chairman and chief executive officer, in a press statement issued June 28. "This ruling vindicates our decision to vigorously oppose any attempt to exploit the unfortunate circumstances of our former employees to damage the company and its shareholders."

The court's ruling was swayed in part by the fact that Overhill Farms fired the employees a month earlier to the filing of the complaint for using invalid Social Security numbers in connection with their employment.

The court ruled the plaintiffs could not adequately represent the interests of other employees, in part because they "lied to their employer" about certain facts and characterizing their credibility as being in some doubt. The court also observed that some sworn statements from the plaintiffs lacked credibility, while other statements they made contradicted the claims in the lawsuit. The ruling noted that "evidence demonstrates that this class does not meet certain requirements for certification" as a class action lawsuit.

The superior court ruling is subject to appeal and the plaintiffs can choose to pursue their claims individually.

Overhill Farms stated June 28 that "based on the strength of the court's ruling" and on its own employment practices, it was confident it would prevail in any further litigation.

Overhill Farms Inc operates as a value-added supplier of custom prepared frozen foods for branded retail, private label foodservice and airline customers. Its product line includes entrees, plated meals, bulk-packed meal components, pastas, soups, sauces, poultry, meat and fish specialties, as well as organic and vegetarian offerings.
(#436989)

Performance Food Group, Inc. dba

Performance Food Group -- Richmond, VA -- *Performance Food Group buys Liberty Distribution*

A representative of Performance Food Group Inc confirmed June 29 that the company, through its Vistar division, completed its previously announced acquisition of Chandler, AZ-based Liberty Distribution Company LLC, a distributor of candy, snacks and other items.

Liberty Distribution Company, founded in 1998 by Jim Schweikert, also operated locations in Mechanicsburg, PA and Memphis, TN.

A message left by SEAFAX for Schweikert on Friday, June 29 in an effort to confirm the payment of trade debt owed by Liberty Distribution Company went unanswered.

Patrick Hagerty, president and chief executive of Vistar, stated that the acquisition of Liberty Distribution Company will be instrumental in helping the division meet its long term growth strategy.

Commenting on the deal, George Holm, president and chief executive officer of Performance Food Group, said, "Serving customers with unique requirements is something Liberty does extremely well and Liberty can be an integral part of Vistar's continued success."

As reported, Performance Food Group completed the acquisition of the common stock of Hickory, NC-based Institution Food House Inc, also conducting business as I.F.H., from Alex Lee Inc effective June 23. Performance Food Group stated the Institution Food House acquisition brings together two major foodservice distribution companies to enhance service and offerings to customers in the Carolinas and the surrounding geography.

Performance Food Group and its affiliates distribute their products to over 115,000 customers through their 64 distribution centers and 12 Merchant's Mart locations across the U.S.
(#49802)

BANKRUPTCY NEWS UPDATE

Andre's French Restaurant, Inc. -- Las Vegas, NV -- *Andre's confirmation continued after amended plan filed*

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Nevada continued a June 26 hearing to consider the confirmation of a proposed joint plan of reorganization presented by Andre's French Restaurant Inc, doing business as Andre's at Monte Carlo, and its bankrupt affiliates, Alize, conducting business as Alize at the Top of the Palms, and Gastronomy Management Group, along with the entities' principal, Marius Andre Roachat, after the debtors filed an amendment to the document.

A confirmation hearing will now take place July 24.

The debtors received approval of their disclosure statement in late April, however the U.S. Trustee submitted an objection to the proposed plan in mid-June.

According to the proposed plan, because the estates of each debtor will not be substantively consolidated, each debtor has proposed a plan to deal with its obligations and how those obligations will be paid under the plan.

Andre's French Restaurant's general unsecured creditors, which hold claims of approximately \$585,963, will still be paid from a pro rata fund of \$950 per month from the debtor's profits over a five-year period beginning 120 days after confirmation.

The amended plan continues to see Alize's general unsecured creditors, which hold claims of about \$617,308, being paid pro rata from a fund of \$2,000 per month from the debtor's profits for a five-year period commencing 120 days after confirmation.

Gastronomy Management Group, the parent company to both Andre's French Restaurant and Alize, still proposes to pay general unsecured creditors, holding claims of approximately \$3.2 million, from a pro rata fund of \$4,500 per month from the debtor's profits on a quarterly basis for five years beginning 120 days after confirmation.

However, the amended plan offers two options to Gastronomy Management Group's secured creditor, Plaza Bank. The first being the original proposal in its plan presented in March to continue to pay Plaza Bank \$3,000 per month to retire the debt in full. The amended plan states the second option is to pay Plaza Bank in full on or before the later of 60 days after the effective date or 15 days after the date the claim becomes an allowed claim.

The amended plan also addresses claims held by government agencies, including the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). All of the debtors propose to pay the IRS in equal quarterly installments of principal plus interest, until paid in full, provided that such period does not exceed five years from July 8, 2011, their Chapter 11 petition date. The debtors' secured and priority taxes will be paid in monthly installments over a period of 60 months measured by their commencement date of July 8, 2011, with interest at 3% annually, according to the amended plan.

Roachat established Gastronomy Management Group in 2005 for the purpose of centralization of management functions for Andre's French Restaurant, Alize and another entity which ceased operations in 2011, Andre's Ltd doing business as Andre's Original.

The debtors informed the bankruptcy court that Andre's French Restaurant, which opened in 1997, was a profitable entity until the last quarter of 2007 when the property from which it operated, Monte Carlo Las Vegas Casino and Resort, was undergoing a transition to an MGM/Mirage property. As part of the new ownership by MGM/Mirage, Andre's French Restaurant was told to extensively remodel the restaurant, leading the debtor to take out a construction loan of \$1.8 million. The new loan coupled with the financial downturn of 2009 led to a decline in revenues and losses of over \$1 million in 2009 and continued losses in 2010.

The debtors added that Alize, which opened at The Palms Casino Resort in November, 2001, was profitable until the financial downturn of 2009, however, it has since reached a point of being a profitable entity again.

The debtors informed the bankruptcy court that after a careful review of their current business operations, estimated recoveries in a liquidation scenario and the prospects of ongoing business, they concluded that the recovery to creditors will be maximized by the reorganization of Andre's French Restaurant, Alize and Gastronomy Management Group as contemplated under the plan.
(#75753)

Delta Produce, LP -- San Antonio, TX -- Delta Produce bankruptcy case not converted

(#59635)

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas entered an order June 29 denying the conversion of the Chapter 11 bankruptcy case filed by Delta Produce LP to a Chapter 7 liquidation.

Delta Produce and its affiliated entities, Superior Tomato - Avocado Ltd, Atled Ltd and Staci Properties Ltd, all filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy petitions January 3. Both Delta Produce and Superior Tomato - Avocado ceased operations pre-petition.

As a result of Delta Produce failing to file its disclosure statement or plan of reorganization by May 8, the U.S. Trustee overseeing the debtor's bankruptcy case filed a motion seeking to have the proceedings converted to a Chapter 7 liquidation. The bankruptcy court denied the motion and mandated that the debtor file its plan of reorganization and disclosure statement by September 30.

The bankruptcy court said if Delta Produce fails to file its plan by September 30, the case will be converted to one under Chapter 7.

Along with its bankruptcy petition, Delta Produce also filed a lawsuit within the bankruptcy court against San Antonio, TX-based H. E. Butt Grocery Company alleging coercion by a power buyer. The lawsuit is now being administered by the U.S. District Court for the Western District after the plaintiff sought to have the lawsuit moved from the bankruptcy court.

H. E. Butt Grocery filed a motion with the district court May 7 seeking to dismiss the lawsuit filed against it by Delta Produce. The defendant has until September 6 to respond to H. E. Butt Grocery's motion to dismiss.

According to the complaint filed by Delta Produce, the company entered into a contract with H. E. Butt Grocery in 1978 to provide produce items to the company. The contract stipulated that Delta Produce was not allowed to sell any goods to competitors of H. E. Butt Grocery.

Although H. E. Butt Grocery lifted the selling restriction in 2008, Delta Produce stated that other retailers who might have otherwise purchased from it had already established relationships with other sellers.

Delta Produce explained that it struggled for several more years until, in late 2011, when it ran out of available cash.

Between 1978 and 2008, Delta Produce alleges that H. E. Butt Grocery used its monopoly power to economically coerce the business into an ongoing illegal agreement whereby H. E. Butt Grocery would not purchase goods from Delta Produce unless it agreed not to sell to any of the defendants' competitors.

Delta Produce is seeking damages in excess of \$100 million, mostly from lost sales over the period a selling restriction was in place.

As a result of H. E. Butt Grocery's actions, Delta Produce said it was forced to cease operations in December and file a bankruptcy petition.

In a statement issued to the press, H. E. Butt Grocery said it "strongly disagrees that it is to blame for Delta Produce's poor performance and will vigorously contest the lawsuit."

Van Peenen's Dairy, Inc. -- Wayne, NJ -- Van Peenen's Dairy bankruptcy case could be converted

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey scheduled a hearing for July 11 to rule on a motion requesting that the Chapter 11 bankruptcy case filed by Van Peenen's Dairy Inc either be converted to a Chapter 7 liquidation or be dismissed.

Van Peenen's Dairy filed a petition for Chapter 11 bankruptcy April 26.

The U.S. Trustee overseeing Van Peenen's Dairy's bankruptcy case submitted a motion to the court June 18 requesting that the case be converted or dismissed because the debtor is required to submit proof of insurance and supply certain reports concerning the estate's administration. The U.S. Trustee said Van Peenen's Dairy has not submitted any proof of valid workers' compensation insurance.

According to the U.S. Trustee, there is a substantial risk that the value of Van Peenen's Dairy's property will be diminished or lost if an accident occurs and there is no insurance to cover the damages. Failure to maintain appropriate insurance that poses a risk to the estate or to the public is cause to dismiss, the motion conveyed.

Van Peenen's Dairy's summary of schedules state the business owes nearly \$3 million in total debt and holds assets with a value of \$2.5 million. The company's debts are comprised of \$610,985 in unsecured obligations, including trade debt, and \$2.3 million in secured claims.

Marinus Van Peenen, Jacob Van Peenen, Tunis Van Peenen, George Van Peenen, Gary Van Peenen and Kenneth Van Peenen are all equal shareholders of Van Peenen's Dairy Inc. (#44755)

BANKRUPTCY BRIEFS

Michael's Market, Inc. dba Michael's Fresh Market -- Chicago, IL -- For a second time, Michael's Market Inc, along with its affiliated entities, filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois June 29 requesting an extension to the periods in which the businesses may file a plan of reorganization and gain acceptances of that plan -- The bankruptcy court had mandated that the debtors file their plan of reorganization by June 29 and obtain acceptances of the plan by August 29, but the debtors now ask that the deadline to file a plan be extended until August 3 and the period to solicit acceptances be extended until October 2 -- Michael's Market and its affiliates, 2820-30 North Cicero LLC, DMM Produce Inc, Jenor LLC, Mayfair Market Place Inc, North Avenue Fresh Market LLC, CP No. 3 Inc and 4815 W. Wolfram LLC, all filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy petitions in late December -- The bankruptcy proceedings are being jointly administered under Michael's Market Inc -- According to the extension request, the debtors will be filing a motion to sell the stores operated by Mayfair Market Place Inc and Jenor LLC -- After the sale motions are presented, the debtors said that they will file a plan to either reorganize or sell their remaining locations (#848575)

MARKETPLACE

Hardware Manager

Aspen Systems, a provider of software and technology solutions to the Food Industry for nearly 25 years, is looking for an experienced manager to operate its Hardware Services Department in Phoenix, Arizona. Applicants should be knowledgeable of Microsoft Operating Systems and SQL Server. They should possess good communication and interpersonal skills and be experienced in supporting a wide variety of customer technology needs. They should have experience working with the latest technology including Server Virtualization, Network Infrastructure, Systems and Data Storage Sizing, Security, Wireless Networks, VPN, Back-up Systems, Firewalls, etc. Send resumes to tmabley@aspen-systems.com.

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National Sales Managers

Best Foodstuff USA Inc. is looking for two experienced national account sales managers. The successful candidates should have a minimum of 3-5 years sales experience selling to multi-unit restaurant accounts or multi-unit supermarket accounts. We are looking for results oriented individuals with proven track records. The positions will be mainly developing business with the top restaurant chains and top supermarkets in the U.S. Excellent salary plus commission with an attractive benefits package for the right candidates.

Please submit resumes to: graham@chinabestgroup.com.

Seafood Sales - New York area

Established seafood importing company is looking to hire a full time sales representative in the New York area. Candidate must be driven to succeed and willing to travel. Sales experience in the seafood industry is required and primary knowledge of frozen sales is preferred with an emphasis on food wholesalers, foodservice and retail food. If you are qualified and interested, please send your resume to info@imaexseafoods.com

HOLIDAY NOTICE

SEAFAX's offices will be closed July 4 in observance of Independence Day in the U.S.

SEAFAX will release no publications on July 4, but will resume our normal publication schedule when our offices re-open for business on July 5.

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