



THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP
CORPORATE WATER MANAGEMENT STATEMENT
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The Hain Celestial Group, Inc., (“Hain Celestial” or the “Company”) is a leading organic and natural products company with a mission to provide consumers with “A Healthier Way of Life™”. Water is essential for life and for our Company. The availability, accessibility, and affordability of quality freshwater are critical for the long-term success of our Company, the communities that we serve, and the environment.

Water is critical throughout our value chain, from the agricultural fields to our manufacturing facilities to the use of our products. Thus, we are committed to utilizing our water resources responsibly to minimize our impact on such a critical resource and to managing the risks that increased demand for water presents that may adversely disrupt our business.

Throughout our global operations, we strive for the sustainable management of our freshwater resources. Our approach to water stewardship is outlined by the following:

1. **Direct Operations:** We seek to improve the efficiency and cleanliness of our operations to conserve the freshwater resources in the communities where we operate.
 - **Measure:** Our manufacturing facilities are located in North America and Europe, and we diligently monitor the water data at all of our owned manufacturing locations to improve our water usage and to ensure our facilities are adhering to strict wastewater management controls within their municipalities.
 - **Risk Mapping:** We acknowledge that water risk is inherently local and therefore we are committed to undertaking water risk mapping to understand the watersheds of where our facilities are located to mitigate the physical, regulatory and social risks that affect our long-term access to quality freshwater. We have undertaken a preliminary risk assessment of our operational supply chain using WWF’s Water Risk Filter to know which facilities and geographies are most at risk from water stresses to enable better management of our risks. We will also engage with our manufacturing suppliers to assess their water risk.
 - **Commitments:** We have a quantitative water consumption goal: By the end of 2020, water abstraction at our own manufacturing facilities will be at or below our 2015 baseline, despite higher volumes.

2. **Agricultural Supply Chain:** Agriculture is the largest global consumer of water. The ingredients for our products are dependent on quality freshwater and soil and therefore understanding our full value chain footprint, the key water risks facing the agricultural industry, and the best agricultural water management practices is crucial for influencing and supporting our farmers and suppliers and mitigating water risk in our supply chain.
 - **Water Footprint:** We undertook a baseline assessment to understand our water footprint and prioritize our efforts to reduce water usage in our value chain. We uncovered that ingredient production accounts for approximately 98% of the water used to produce our products. For this

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reason, we have set in our long-term sustainability strategy commitments to work with our ingredient suppliers to reduce their water consumption and overall water risks. We will complete a detailed water risk assessment—both in terms of quantity and quality—across our entire value chain by the end of 2017 and implement a water management strategy to conserve water supplies, especially in water-stressed areas.

- **Commodity Map:** We will prioritize the strategic suppliers we work with and priority sourcing areas after conducting a commodity risk map assessment to understand which commodities and regions experience the greatest water risk and opportunity for positive action.
- **Sourcing Diversification:** The commodity water risk mapping assessment will further inform our supplier diversification strategy, which we have in place to alleviate the effects of supply shocks due to our agricultural producers' exposure to risks.

3. **Legal Compliance:** We strive to comply with all applicable legislative and regulatory requirements with respect to water quality and consumption in our communities.
4. **Governance and Transparency:** Our Hain Celestial Sustainability Executive Council is responsible for embedding the execution of our water management strategy across the business. Our Company is committed to reporting on our water use, risks, commitments, and progress.
5. **Collaborate:** We will work with other stakeholders—our manufacturing suppliers, businesses, governments, NGOs, communities, and others—to raise awareness of water-related issues, support existing water initiatives, and encourage improved policies for the sustainable management of shared freshwater resources in our communities.