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Market Update for Table Grapes

Week of April 28 - May 4

Red Seedless imports from Chile will continue to outpace green from now until the end of the season. Marketers are holding back their very best conditioned fruit to extend supplies as long as possible. We have seen the spot market move slightly higher over the past two weeks, but marketers must find the right balance to keep fruit moving. It still looks as if Mexico won't have any meaningful volumes of red grapes until the end of May, so if the Chilean fruit can hold on, we might see the spot market top the 30s by the 15th of May. For now, the general market for good quality Crimsons ranges from the low to mid-20s for large and the high 20s for XLG. Sweet Celebrations and Allison are trading up to \$4.00 higher.

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Green Seedless

Imports of South American green seedless have been declining steadily for weeks and most importers only have enough supply to manage programmed business for another two to three weeks. Spot markets have certainly reacted, with prices jumping significantly higher over the last 10 days. Jalisco, Mexico is shipping some volumes of green grapes, with FOBs ranging from the high 30s to low 40s, but there is not enough of that fruit to impact the market. There are a few importers left with premium Peruvian Autumn Crisp and that fruit is selling between the low to high 40s. The very best Chilean Arra 15s, Thompsons and Sweet Globes are selling between the high 30s to low 40s and will possibly go even higher over the next two weeks. Some marketers of Mexican fruit are indicating that Sonora should get started by the 10th of May, but we can expect things to start slowly with prices continuing to stay strong until the end of the month.

Citrus

California Navel oranges are very tight on 113/138s as rain events and intermittent warm weather create growth opportunity. Harvest continues to show excellent quality. Most growers looking to end the season approximately mid-June. Valencia's have already started

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with some growers, other's looking at mid to late May to alleviate stress on the small Navel demand. Valencia's estimated to peak on 113/138/88s. Lemon sizing also trending up with smaller fruit availability tightening. Grapefruit harvesting mainly in a range of 32ct to 56ct with superb quality.