AMD OIL SALES LLC UPDATE – COVID-19

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Message to our Customers:

With our business of importing foods, there are many moving parts to our business that can affected by the Covid-19 We will try and address some of the various conditions that maybe effect our business operations and your merchandise.

OFFICE

The health and well-being of our employees is paramount.

- We talk daily about vigilance of hand washing, keeping your distance and keeping your workplace wiped clean on regular basis.
- We have made specific arrangements for our workers to work remotely as needed or situation arises.
- We are limiting any outside contact with mail / packages / samples. They are left in a large mailbox OUTSIDE our office. Added to that, we are leaving our packages and mail to be picked up without us getting exposed or exposing our couriers. Objects are wiped down to insure they are as clean as possible
- We have suspended visitors from entering office
- We are following CDC recommendations as closely as possible
- We are also strongly suggesting, that our employees do NOT go into crowded areas, and take necessary precautions when out of their homes. Moving only for essential items.

SHIPMENTS (Europe / Domestic)

- With Spain on lockdown, we can expect a slowdown of transportation and production. Currently that has not occurred yet, we expect delays at some point.
- Olive Oil does not allow bacteria to grow in any packaging.
- Domestic transportation is regulating the contact between drivers and the warehouses, and companies that are receiving goods doing the same.
- We are concerned, as drivers are at a premium, that any outbreak specifically with tank truck drivers may slow distribution
- Imported Containers seem to have less exposure due to the transit time to get to US port.

SUPPLIERS/ VENDORS

- All suppliers have issued statements on their internal policies on the Covid-19 issue.
- All are aware and taking the issue very seriously
PACKAGING

- We have not seen much factual information on how long the virus can live on objects. Our warehouses do not come into direct contact with the drums/totes. They are moved on pallet via forklifts
- Our strong recommendation is treat any object like a human, avoid contact, avoid touching your face after contact, and wash your hands as per CDC recommendation

CONCLUSION:

➢ We are in unchartered waters. We agree that an overreaction to the procedures is warranted. Rather be criticized for too much caution.
➢ The situation is fluent and will probably get worse than better for near future. As testing ramps up, the numbers will be rising.
➢ There is no other way to combat this virus than changing our behaviors.
➢ We will make the necessary adjustments as they develop.

You can be sure AMD OIL SALES LLC is taking this seriously. Looking for new updates on how best to address this pandemic. We are being vigilant daily with our employees both in office and while at home. The circumstances will surely change, and we will do our very best to stay up to date on all new information that will help us combat this virus

Be Safe

AMD OIL SALES LLC MANAGEMENT
Corporate Response to the COVID-19 Threat

The outbreak of the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has been declared as a global Pandemic by the World Health Organization. It has spread through many countries of the world including China, Italy, Iran, Germany and continues to be found in many other countries and territories, including the United States. As we are learning, this virus is indiscriminate. This virus is going to change the way our families, workforce, government, schools and commerce will operate for the foreseeable future. What does this new threat of the virus mean to the products that AMD Oil Sales provides? This statement will address several concerns that have come from this potential global threat.

Is the Oil Safe?
The current evidence shows that the COVID-19 virus much like other viruses and is not being transmitted via food or water. Furthermore, even if were possible, Vegetable oils do not provide the required nutrients for bacteria, viruses and other microbiological forms of potential contamination.

Statement from Balsamic Vinegar Supplier
We would like to clarify that at the moment no problems of raw materials and products supply has been found since all our suppliers are safe and operational but due to the situation that Italy is currently experiencing it is our duty to inform you that in the next few days there may be a drop in performance linked to normal processing times.

What if an Employee becomes Infected?
This virus like other viruses is being transmitted via direct or indirect person-to-person contact. This virus will infect a person if it comes into contact with nose, eyes or mouth. Frequent hand-washing and/or use of hand sanitizers are key to restricting both contracting and transmitting the virus.

If someone in your workforce becomes infected with the COVID-19 Virus or any other Flu virus, they should seek medical attention. The company may also want to work closely with the local Health Department and follow the CDC’s advice.


What will the impact on our Supply Chain?
As we have seen from the beginning, the Coronavirus outbreak has had significant impact on imports from China and a few other countries, and because of the unprecedented measures the Chinese and other governments are taking to control the outbreak, there have been significant disruptions to supply chains around the world. This can be particularly critical if you have been using a supplier from an impacted country as your sole source for a product or ingredient.

AMD does not currently source products from China and as such the interruption on the export of materials for AMD will be minimally impacted at this time.

As this is a fluid situation we will keep you posted if anything happens that would affect our ability to deliver product to our customers.

Please contact your sales team if you have any concerns about the impact of this issue on the supply availability of the products you source.