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For the week August 14 to 19, 2017

Alerts – Blueberries and cherries shipping from British Columbia we have past peak production but good supplies and arrivals continue. BC prune plums available and better overall supplies of peaches finally available. Asparagus market is still strong with very limited volume from all growing regions. Small lemons are demand exceeds supplies expect this to continue until Mexican and Chilean volume increases. Valencia oranges currently shipping with very strong markets. Coloured red and yellow potatoes are all US product now local new crop potatoes should be starting shortly.

Fruit	Quality	Market	Growing Area	Comments
Apples	Good	Steady	Washington	Golden Delicious light to no supplies followed by Granny Smith and Gala with high markets
Avocado	Very Good	Up	Mexico	Light supplies for the remaining Mexican crop with demand exceed supplies markets pushing upward
Bananas	Good	Steady	Guatemala	Steady no change
Berries: Strawberries	Fair/Good	Up	California	Good supplies and quality will however take a down turn due to continued heat at night leading to darker and softer fruit
Berries: Raspberries	Good	Steady/Lower	California	Better supplies and quality from California market and demand remains firm
Berries: Blackberries	Very Good	Steady/Lower	California	Better supplies and quality from California market and demand remains firm
Berries: Blueberries	Very Good	Steady/Up	British Columbia	BC grown berries in stock with great quality and arrivals market gaining strength as we past peak production
Citrus: Lemons	Good	Steady	California	Demand exceeds supplies for California lemons prices are high and supplies of Chilean and Mexican giving a little relief
Citrus: Limes	Good	Up	Mexico	Steady demand but limited supplies has moved the market up quality is just good overall
Citrus: Oranges Valencias	Fair	Up	California	Strong demand and short supplies for this year's already lighter California valencia crop and back to school demand has started
Grape: Green	Very Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Grapes: Red	Very Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Melons: Cantaloupe	Good	Steady/Lower	California	Good supplies and quality small fruit availability is very limited mostly 9's and 12's currently shipping
Melons: Honeydew	Very Good	Steady/Lower	California	Good supplies and quality
Melons: Watermelon	Good	Up	California	The heat in California has impacted melon supplies and quality and this will continue to be an issue
Pears	Good	Steady	Washington	Good supplies and quality market is firm on bartlett pears
Pineapples	Good	Steady/Up	Mexico	Supplies have lightened up with limited overall volume of fruit and this will continue through August
Stone Fruit	Good	Steady/Lower	California/BC	Better supplies of BC peaches finally in the market prune plums available BC cherries volume has past peak production
Tomatoes Field	Good	Steady	California	Better supplies compared to the past 2 weeks the market remains firm with steady demand
Vegetables	Quality	Market	Growing Area	Comments
Asparagus	Fair/Good	Steady/Lower	Mexico	Rain in Mexico has brought overall production down Peruvian production is getting better
Bell Peppers: Green	Good	Steady/Up	California	Supplies improving with steady demand and markets
Bell Peppers: Red	Good	Steady/Up	California	Shorter supplies due to lighter than average harvest creating stronger markets compared to the green bell peppers market
Broccoli	Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Carrots	Very Good	Steady/Up	Arizona/Mexico	Good supplies and quality
Cauliflower	Very Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Celery	Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Cucumbers HH	Very Good	Steady	Alberta	Good supplies and quality
Eggplant	Good	Steady	California	Heatwave has caused quality issues and limited supplies better availability on the horizon
Green Onions	Fair/Good	Steady/Up	Mexico	Current and recent heat wave has caused some serious supply gaps market will trend higher
Lettuce: Leaf and Romaine	Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Lettuce: Iceberg Trim and Cello	Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality
Onions	Good	Steady	Washington	Steady demand and markets new crop yellow onions are shipping now
Squash	Good	Steady	California	Good supplies and quality with overall steady demand and markets
Potatoes: Bakers	Good/Very Good	Up	Washington	Light supplies of new crop potatoes market has jumped and will remain firm until better supplies come on line
Potatoes: Coloured	Good	Steady/Lower	California	Local supplies of red and yellow potatoes have not yet started the US market pricing has weakened over the last few weeks

Quality Scoring (Fair – Good – Very Good – Excellent)

Disclaimer (Field report based on information provided on Wednesday of this week and does not necessarily correspond to current inventory or future inventory values and quality)