

HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP INC  
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**UNITED STATES**  
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**THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC.**

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**THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC.**

58 South Service Road

Melville, New York 11747

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**

**OF STOCKHOLDERS**

to be held on

November 15, 2012

Dear Stockholder,

The 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. (the Company), will be held at 11:00 a.m., Eastern Time, on Thursday, November 15, 2012 at the Amphitheater at 58 South Service Road, Melville, New York 11747.

Proposals to be considered at the Annual Meeting:

- (1) To elect ten directors for a term expiring at the next annual meeting of the company, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- (2) To vote, on an advisory basis, for the compensation awarded to the named executive officers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, as set forth in this proxy statement.
- (3) To approve the amendment of the Amended and Restated 2002 Long Term Incentive and Stock Award Plan.
- (4) To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP to act as registered independent accountants of the Company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

The Board of Directors Recommends You Vote FOR items 1, 2, 3 and 4.

\*Stockholders are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting and vote in person.

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Your electronic vote authorizes the named proxies to vote your shares in the same manner as if you marked, signed, dated and returned the proxy card.

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**The Proxy Materials are available for review at:**

<http://www.hain-celestial.com/proxy>

***Vote Your Proxy on the Internet:***

**Go to [www.cstproxyvote.com](http://www.cstproxyvote.com)**

Have your notice available when you access the above website. Follow the prompts to vote your shares.

**COMPANY ID:**

**PROXY NUMBER:**

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:**

**THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC.**

58 South Service Road, Melville

New York 11747

**Directions to the Annual Meeting of Stockholders**

*From New York City:* Take the Long Island Expressway East to Exit 48 (Round Swamp Road). Proceed straight off exit and after the first traffic light our building is the second one on the right.

*From Eastern Long Island:* Take the Long Island Expressway West to Exit 48 (Round Swamp Road). Proceed to traffic light and make a left turn. Go under the overpass and make a left turn going East. Our building is the second one on the right.

*Long Island Rail Road:* Take the Ronkonkoma Branch Line to the Farmingdale Station. Take a cab to 58 South Service Road, Melville, New York.

**The Amphitheater is located on the lower level.**

**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held November 15, 2012. The Proxy Statement and our 2012 Annual Report to Stockholders are available at: <http://www.hain-celestial.com/proxy>**

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

If you would like to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, *you must request one*. There is no charge for such documents to be mailed to you. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before November 5, 2012 to facilitate a timely delivery.

The following Proxy Materials are available for you to review at: <http://www.hain-celestial.com/proxy>

- the Company's Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2012
- the Company's 2012 Proxy Statement (including all attachments thereto)
- the Proxy Card
- any amendments to the foregoing materials that are required to be furnished to stockholders.

**ACCESSING YOUR PROXY MATERIALS ONLINE**

**Have this notice available when you request a paper copy of the proxy materials or to vote your proxy electronically. You must reference your company ID, 9-digit proxy number and 10-digit account number.**

**REQUESTING A PAPER COPY OF THE PROXY MATERIALS**

**By telephone please call 1-888-221-0690**

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