The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. 58 S. Service Road Suite 250 Melville, NY 11747

March 30, 2012

## **VIA EDGAR**

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549

Attention: Karl Hiller

Branch Chief

RE: The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2011

Filed August 29, 2011 File No. 0-22818

Dear Mr. Hiller:

In your letter dated March 1, 2012 (the "<u>Staff Comment Letter</u>"), you requested that we respond to your comments regarding our Form 10-K for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2011 within ten business days or advise you when we would provide a response. The deadline for our response previously was extended until March 29, 2012. As discussed with John Cannarella, we respectfully request a further extension of time to respond to the Staff Comment Letter until Wednesday, April 4, 2012.

Thank you for your consideration of our request for an extension. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (631) 730-2205.

Very truly yours,

The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.

/s/ Ira J. Lamel

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Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

cc: John Cannarella, Securities and Exchange Commission