Retail Supply Chain Update
May 20, 2020

**Tyson Foods**

- Tyson confirmed Wednesday that 570 out of its 2,244 full-time and contract employees at the facility in Wilkesboro, NC, or 25.4% of the workforce, has tested positive for the virus.

**Target same day services grew in first quarter**

- In addition to its growth in online sales, Target saw an increase of 278% in its curbside pick-up, instore pick-up and Shipt delivery in the first quarter, which ended May 2.

**Amazon delays Prime Day until Fall**

- The company plans to delay its annual Prime Day event until September as its warehouses continue to manage a surge in orders due to the coronavirus.
- Prime Day, first launched in 2015, is Amazon’s marquee shopping event and it typically uses the discount celebration to secure new Prime members, as well as to promote its own products and services.

**United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) says grocery workers not facing fewer hazards**

- Yesterday, the UFCW union said that at least 68 of its grocery worker members have died from coronavirus and over 10,000 have been infected or exposed to COVID-19.
- The updated figures represent double the total of infections and deaths from five weeks ago, according to UFCW.
- UFCW International President Marc Perrone on Wednesday called for food retailers to extend hourly hazard pay — also known as “appreciation” or “hero” pay — for frontline workers and for government and retailers to better police safety practices in stores, including the possible use of security guards.
- Until the need to wear masks and other protective equipment is no longer necessary, grocery retailers should reinstate hazard pay that has lapsed or extend it if nearing expiration, according to Perrone.
- According to Perrone, leading retailers such as Walmart, Amazon/Whole Foods, Trader Joe’s and Kroger have not released internal numbers on worker infections, exposure and deaths.