Release Highlights for the 09/01/2006 Release

Alliant Route Accounting

- When an A/R session is entered, the actual date will be recorded in addition to the “session date” that is entered by the user. The PTD Application and A/R Reconciliation reports can now be run by either the session date or the actual date. (Case 1660)

- Special inventory functionality has been significantly enhanced. You can now enter multiple special inventory quantities and holdout dates for the same employee item. You may choose to bill URI on active special inventory and can also handle special inventory differently for catering accounts. For a complete write-up on this new functionality, contact the Customer Care department and request the new special inventory documentation. (Case 1471)

- Previously, when "Age Credits in 120 Days" was checked on the "Report Opt 2" tab of Plant Control Maintenance, it aged both credits and debits to 120 days. A new checkbox was added to Plant Control Maintenance that says "Do Not Age Debits". This checkbox is only enabled if the "Age Credits in 120 Days" box is checked. If "Do Not Age Debits" is checked, debits will remain as current business. (Case 1190)

- A “Notes” button was added to the Employee Item Maintenance screen, to the right of the 1st Pre-Bill date field. If you click on this button, it will bring up a window to enter free form notes at the employee item level. The notes are informational only, and do not display on any reports. (Case 1259)

- Functionality was added to the "Adjust Garment Inventory" option located under Maintenance -> Customer -> Account Utilities. A checkbox was added that says "Adjust auto count based on inventory", with the ability to round up or down. If this box is checked, the auto count will be replaced with half of the new inventory, and then rounded up or down based on the selection. (Case 1637)

- Functionality was added so the user can designate the first delivery date for items using frequencies A1, A2, A3, A4, B1, B2, B3, or B4. When an item is setup with an A or B frequency, the "Week" button will become enabled. When this button is clicked, a new window will appear with a drop down in it. This drop down will list the dates of the next three possible delivery days for the item. (Case 1250)

- In the Change Miscellaneous Charges screen, functionality was added so that miscellaneous charges can be increased or decreased by a user-defined amount. For example, the user may choose to increase all environmental charge dollar amounts by ten cents, or decrease all energy percentages by 3%. The new option group has three options: 1.) “Input New Value”, 2.) “Increase by”, and 3.) “Decrease by”. There is a field to the right of this option group that is used for entering the new amount, or the amount to increase or decrease the value. A new checkbox has been added next to the “Change For” option group that says “Exclude Accounts with $0 Misc charges”. This checkbox is only enabled when changing values for all customers. If this box is checked, customers with a charge currently at $0 will not be changed. (Case 1634)

- When using on-demand inventory (price type 17), a checkbox was added to the on-demand screen that says "Do not populate item inventory with perpetual inventory”. If this box is checked, the inventory field will be removed from the main Employee Item Maintenance screen. (Case 1473)

- A correction was made to the monthly price change functionality that occurs during Route Processing. Previously, if the first day of the month did not fall on a valid plant delivery day, the price changes for that month would not occur. This has been resolved. (Case 1718)

- When doing an "Add Line" in the Special Invoice/Credit screen, you can apply miscellaneous charges by using transaction codes. The descriptions were previously hard coded. For Transaction Codes "SM", "EC", "EV", "HC", "CC", and "OC" the descriptions will now pull from the "Report Opt 3" tab of the Plant Control Maintenance screen. If the plant level descriptions are empty, the default descriptions will be used. If there is a custom charge description entered on the "Revenue Options" tab of the Customer Maintenance screen, it will be used before the plant level custom charge description when "CC" or "OC" is selected as the transaction code. Also, when adding a stop minimum using the "Charges" button, the description previously showed as "STOP MIN". The description will now pull from the "Report Opt 3" tab of the Plant Control Maintenance screen, just as it does for the other miscellaneous charges. (Case 1229)

- SRC and ARC percentage columns have been added to the Item Usage Report. (Case 1475)
- URI charges will now show on the Abused/Lost Replacement Report. (Case 1575)
- On the Weekly Delivery Recap Report, functionality was added so that the user can run the report for specific items (SKU's). The new checkbox says "Specific Items", with eight new fields for specific SKU's. (Case 1440)
- The Customer Listing Report can now be run for all, stopped, or active customers. (Case 1446)
- On the Soil Count Exceptions Report screen, a checkbox has been added that says "Exclude 'On Hold' Items". If this box is checked, the report will exclude items that are on hold in Employee Item Maintenance. (Case 1768)
- On the Customer Revenue Report, a checkbox was added that says "Revenue Range". This allows the user to run the report for customers that fall within a given revenue range. (Case 1854)
- The seasonal start and stop dates have been added to the Seasonal Account Report. (Case 1870)
- Previously, Physical Inventory Sheets would only print items that had regular inventory greater than 0 or special inventory greater than 0. A checkbox was added that says "Print Inventory = 0", allowing the user to print items with an inventory of 0. (Case 1479)
- In the Route Processing Price Change Log, the "Result of Change" column previously showed price changes made to flat rate items only. It will now show the change on items with a unit price. (Case 1642)

Alliant Stockroom

- A modification was made to the "Replacement" tab of the Handle Individual Garments screen. If the application is setup to use RF ID's, the Replacement tab will now prompt for the RF ID of the new garment after the new barcode is scanned. (Case 1538)

Alliant Mobile 2.0

- Functionality was added so that the user can schedule invoices to a route on a day that does not already have invoices. (Case 1856)
- On the Delivery Tickets/Invoices screen, if the user selects the option to print by specific customer or by specific invoice, he or she should be able to view or print the invoice. When using these two options, the invoice should display regardless of whether the invoice is normally faxed or e-mailed, or whether the customer level field for the number of invoices is set to zero. (Case 1225)
- When entering soil on the handheld and going back to the previous screen, the focus will stay on the line that was previously being entered. (Case 1658)
- On the handheld, adjustments can be made to items that are not normally on the account without causing problems when accepting the route. (Case 1334)

- When adjusting an invoice line on the handheld, the SRC/SRR lines associated with that line will also be recalculated. (Case 1468)
- A new route level checkbox was added that says "Require signature when redating COD accounts". If this box is checked and the "Add to Production" checkbox is not checked, the handheld will prompt for a signature when redating a COD invoice. Once the signature is captured, the redated invoice cannot be adjusted or credited the next time it is on the handheld. (Case 1474)
- In the System Options screen, the length of the SMTP user field was increased from 25 to 35 characters. (Case 1330)

Alliant Online

- The Business Report was added to Alliant Online. The user can enter a date range and select either the "Detail" or "Summary" option. The report looks similar to the way it looks in Alliant Route Accounting. (Case 1785)

Invoice Central

- When the checkbox "Only One Copy" is checked, Invoice Central will print one copy for each invoice, regardless of the customer level print options. (Case 1367)

Statement Central

- Functionality was added so that statements that are normally faxed or e-mailed can be printed out with their invoices. The new checkbox says "Include Faxed/Email Accounts with Printing". (Case 1138)

EDI Export

- A new option was added to the existing EDI Export that allows the user to create a custom file for Brinker International. The text file was created to meet the guidelines defined by Brinker International. (Case 1770)