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INFO: Food Recalls

To: HMC, Cafeterias, Food Stores, Local Boards of Health, Schools

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Please review the following message from Alan Talarsky, Environmental Scientist 1, Food and Drug Safety Program, NJDOH regarding the following Class 1 Recalls issued by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration:

1. Skipanon Brand Seafoods LLC of Warrenton, Oregon is voluntarily recalling ALL LOTS, ALL SIZES of ALL Skipanon brand seafoods canned products because it has the potential to be contaminated with Clostridium botulinum, a bacterium which can cause life-threatening illness or death. Consumers are warned not to use the product even if it does not look or smell spoiled.

Botulism, a potentially fatal form of food poisoning, can cause the following symptoms: general weakness, dizziness, double-vision and trouble with speaking or swallowing. Difficulty in breathing, weakness of other muscles, abdominal distension and constipation may also be common symptoms. People experiencing these problems should seek immediate medical attention.

There have been no reported cases of illness to date.

Products were distributed to wholesalers and retailers in Michigan, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington and sold to internet customers nationwide from the website skipanonbrand.com. The last date of distribution of recalled products is September 2015.

Affected production codes include any codes starting with "OC" and the code can be found either at the bottom or on top of the can. Products are packaged in metal cans with net weights ranging from 5.5 oz. to 66.5 oz.

PRODUCT NAME NET WEIGHT UPC

ALBACORE TUNA 48 oz. (1361 g) 6 58071 00148 0
ALBACORE TUNA BELLIES 6.5 oz. (1885 g) 6 58071 00145 9
ALBACORE TUNA 66.5 oz. (1885 g) 6 58071 00144 2
ALBACORE TUNA 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00117 6
SMOKED ALBACORE TUNA 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00116 9
CHINOOK SALMON 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00118 3
SMOKED CHINOOK SALMON 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00112 1
PEPPERED SMOKED CHINOOK SALMON 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00114 5
COHO SALMON 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00119 0
SMOKED COHO SALMON 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00113 8
COLUMBIA RIVER SOCKEYE
DELUXED HANDFILLED * 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00120 6
SOCKEYE SALMON 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00120 6
SMOKED SOCKEYE SALMON 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00140 4
FANCY STEELHEAD 6 oz. (170 g) 6 58071 00141 1
SMOKED STEELHEAD 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00142 8
PEPPERED SMOKED STEELHEAD 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00143 5
SMOKED STURGEON 5.5 oz. (156 g) 6 58071 00111 4

* This label shows Packed by Oregon Ocean Seafoods (old firm name)

This voluntary recall was initiated due to lack of documentation and possible under-processed products. The problem was discovered during the inspection by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the inspection is ongoing. This recall is being made with the knowledge of the FDA the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA).

Customers are advised to return or to contact company and hold for pick up all products. At this point we are determining the best course of action to remedy the situation.

If you have any questions, call Skipanon Brand Seafoods LLC at (503) 861-8277 between the hours of 10:00am PST and 5:00pm PST, Monday - Friday, or send e-mail to recallskipanonbrand@gmail.com.

2. Dole Fresh Vegetables is voluntarily recalling a limited number of cases of bagged salad. The product being recalled is Dole Spinach coded A27409B & A27409A, with an Enjoy By date of October 15 and UPC 7143000976 due to a possible health risk from Salmonella. Dole Fresh Vegetables is coordinating closely with regulatory officials. No illnesses have been reported in association with the recall.

The product code and Enjoy By date are in the upper right-hand corner of the package: the UPC code is on the back of the package, below the barcode. The salads were distributed in 13 U.S. states (Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Wisconsin).

No illnesses have been reported in association with the recall. This precautionary recall notification is being issued due to an isolated instance in which a sample of Dole Spinach salad yielded a positive result for Salmonella in a random sample test conducted by the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development: Laboratory Division.

Neither Baby Spinach nor any other salads, are included in the recall. Only the specific Product Codes, UPC codes and October 15, 2015 Enjoy By date identified above are

included in the recall. Consumers who have any remaining product with these Product Codes should not consume it, but rather discard it. Retailers and consumers with questions may call the Dole Food Company Consumer Response Center at (800) 356-3111, which is open 8:00 am to 3:00 pm (PT) Monday - Friday.

Dole Fresh Vegetables customer service representatives are already contacting retailers and are in the process of confirming that the recalled product is being removed from the stream of commerce.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause foodborne illness in a person who eats a food item contaminated with it. Symptoms of infection may include fever and gastrointestinal symptoms such as nausea, diarrhea, vomiting or abdominal pain. The illness primarily impacts young children, frail and elderly people and those with weakened immune systems. Most healthy adults and children rarely become seriously ill.

No action is required of local health departments at this time for either of these recalls. If any requests for assistance are received from FDA, the Food and Drug Safety Program will contact you. For additional information regarding warnings and recalls, please click on the weblink below.

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