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EHS Circular Letter 2014-34

TO: Local Directors of Health
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FROM: Tracey Weeks, MS, RS
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DATE: July 24, 2014

SUBJECT: **Wawona Packing Co. Takes Precautionary Step of Voluntarily Recalling Fresh, Whole Peaches, Plums, Nectarines, and Pluots Because of Possible Health Risk**

Wawona Packing Company of Cutler, CA is voluntarily recalling certain lots of whole peaches (white and yellow), nectarines (white and yellow), plums and pluots packed between June 1, 2014 through July 12, 2014 due to the potential of the products being contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*. Wawona Packing has notified retailers of the specific lots being recalled. No other products are impacted by this recall. Although no illnesses have been linked to the recalled products to date, the recall was initiated due to the serious and sometimes fatal consequences of listeriosis in the elderly, very young children, and persons with compromised immune systems.

Attached is the press release issued by Wawona with links for pictures of product packaging and a list of affected products that are not included here due to the large file size. The recalled products were shipped directly to retailers and wholesalers who then both sell and/or resell the products. Since the locations of the companies that purchased the products are not known, the company is issuing a nationwide recall. Whole Foods Market has issued their own recall notice and it is likely that the product has been shipped to other Connecticut retailers. (See attached Whole Foods press release and prepared product list.)

Anyone who has the recalled products in their possession should not consume them and should discard them. Consumers with questions may contact Wawona Packing at 1-888-232-9912, M-F, 8am-5pm ET, or visit www.wawonapacking.com for a copy of this press release. Wawona Packing has already notified its business customers and requested that they remove the recalled products from commerce.

Consumers reporting illness should be advised to contact their primary care physician for proper follow-up and treatment. Local health department staff that receives calls from consumers with possible foodborne illness after consumption of recalled product should follow the usual procedure of completing the 3-page Foodborne Alert form and faxing it to the Food Protection Program within 24 hours at (860) 509-8071.

Check www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls for updates.

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Wawona Packing Co. Takes Precautionary Step of Voluntarily Recalling Fresh, Whole Peaches, Plums, Nectarines, and Pluots Because of Possible Health Risk

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1-888-232-9912

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - July 19, 2014 - Wawona Packing Company of Cutler, Calif is voluntarily recalling certain lots of whole peaches (white and yellow), nectarines (white and yellow), plums and pluots packed between June 1, 2014 through July 12, 2014 due to the potential of the products being contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*. Wawona Packing has notified retailers of the specific lots being recalled. No other products are impacted by this recall. No illnesses have been linked to this recall to date.

Listeria monocytogenes, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

The recalled products were shipped directly to retailers and wholesalers who resell the products. Because we do not know the locations of the companies that purchased the products from our direct customers, the company is issuing a nationwide recall. **Consumers** can identify the recalled products by the information provided in the attached list and photographs. Anyone who has the recalled products in their possession should not consume them and should discard them. Consumers with questions may contact Wawona Packing at 1-888-232-9912, M-F, 8am-5pm ET, or visit www.wawonapacking.com (<http://www.wawonapacking.com>) (<http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/AboutThisWebsite/WebsitePolicies/Disclaimers/default.htm>) for a copy of this press release.

Wawona Packing has already notified its business customers and requested that they remove the recalled products from commerce. Wawona Packing is voluntarily recalling these products in consultation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

The recall was initiated based on internal company testing. The company shut down the implicated packing lines, retrofitted equipment, sanitized the facility and retested. Subsequent daily test results have been negative.

"We are aware of no illnesses related to the consumption of these products" said Brent Smittcamp, President of Wawona Packing Co. " By taking the precautionary step of recalling product, we will minimize even the slightest risk to public health, and that is our priority."

[Wawona Packing Recalls Product List \(/downloads/Safety/Recalls/UCM405955.pdf\)](#)

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[Photo: Product Labels \(/Safety/Recalls/ucm405945.htm\)](#)

Recalled Product Photos Are Also Available on FDA's **[Flickr Photostream](http://www.flickr.com/photos/fdaphotos/sets/72157639317944704/)**. (<http://www.flickr.com/photos/fdaphotos/sets/72157639317944704/>)

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Whole Foods Market Recalls Made-In-Store Items Prepared With Stone Fruit Voluntarily Recalled by Wawona Packing Co. Due to Possible Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - AUSTIN, Texas - July 23, 2014 – Whole Foods Market has recalled made-in-store items prepared with organic and conventional stone fruit, including peaches, nectarines, and plums from Wawona Packing Co. because of possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

While no illnesses have been reported to-date, *Listeria monocytogenes* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

Made-in-store items that contained one or more fruits subject to the Wawona Packing Co. recall were sold between June 1st and July 21st. Not all items or all products were sold in all store locations. Affected made-in-store items such as cakes, tarts, salsas, and prepared salads were sold in Whole Foods Market stores using Whole Foods Market scale labels in all states where Whole Foods Market stores are located except Florida, Washington and Oregon. Additionally, Whole Foods Market pulled and destroyed the recalled stone fruit sold in all regions where it was available, which may have been labeled with a "Sweet 2 Eat" sticker. For a list of made-in-store items that have been affected by state, please check this [web page \(http://assets.wholefoodsmarket.com/www/misc/20140723-StoneFruitRecall.pdf\)](http://assets.wholefoodsmarket.com/www/misc/20140723-StoneFruitRecall.pdf).

Whole Foods Market was notified by Wawona Packing Co. that the various stone fruits were recalled due to a positive test result for *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Signage is posted in Whole Foods Market stores to notify customers of this recall. Customers who have purchased recalled product from Whole Foods Market should discard it, and may bring in their receipt for a full refund. Consumers with questions may call 512-477-5566, extension 20060, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

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[Made-In-Store Stone Fruit Product List \(/downloads/Safety/Recalls/UCM406462.pdf\)](#)

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Whole Foods Market recalls made-in-store items prepared with stone fruit voluntarily recalled by Wawona Packing Co. due to possible health risk

20254100000	Whole Foods Market Grilled Shrimp and Nectarine Salad	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20213300000	Whole Foods Market Grilled Spiced Peach and Kale Salad	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20264900000	Whole Foods Market Heirloom Tomato & Peach Salad	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20253800000	Whole Foods Market Heirloom Tomato and Nectarine Salad	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20253800000	Whole Foods Market Heirloom Tomato Peach and Mozzarella Salad	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
21222100000	Whole Foods Market Peach Fruit Crisp	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20249000000	Whole Foods Market Peach Glazed Pork Loin	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20216400000	Whole Foods Market Peach Stuffed Pork Loin	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
21085000000	Whole Foods Market Peaches	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20250100000	Whole Foods Market Peaches with Toasted Almonds and Basil (HSH)	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20253800000	Whole Foods Market Peaches, Feta with toasted almonds and Basil	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20256200000	Whole Foods Market Caramelized Peach	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20256300000	Whole Foods Market Caramelized Peach with Ricotta	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
25730500000	Whole Foods Market CC HSH PEAR CRISP SLAW	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29690300000	Whole Foods Market FM SANGRIA MIX LG	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29648300000	Whole Foods Market DIP SALSA PEACH LG	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29913800000	Whole Foods Market Salmon Fillet with Peach Salsa	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29074000000	Whole Foods Market Peach Basil Glazed Smoked Salmon	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29512800000	Whole Foods Market Peach Basil Stuffed Blackened Salmon	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
25179600000	Whole Foods Market Peach Basil Stuffed Salmon	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
29966100000	Whole Foods Market Chipotle Peach Turkey	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
20034900000	Whole Foods Market MRH Peach Butter	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
30868	Whole Foods Market Tea Hive - Orchard Peach Freeze	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
30865	Whole Foods Market Tea Hive - Peach Julep Sparkler	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	AZ, CA, HI, NV
96483	Whole Foods Market Peach Salsa	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CO, ID, KS, NM, UT
29535400000	Whole Foods Market Peach Goat Medallion	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CO, ID, KS, NM, UT
24070900000	Whole Foods Market TART GALETTE PEACH	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
20642800000	Whole Foods Market PARFAIT	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
14450	Whole Foods Market TART FRESH FRUIT LARGE	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
20189700000	Whole Foods Market TART FRUIT LARGE	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
20611000000	Whole Foods Market TART FRUIT LARGE SQUARE	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
26255	Whole Foods Market TART FRUIT MEDIUM	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
20189800000	Whole Foods Market TART FRUIT MEDIUM	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
20189600000	Whole Foods Market TART FRUIT SMALL	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, MA, ME, RI
0201189005002	Whole Foods Market 4" fresh fruit tart decorated with plums	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, NJ, NY
0201898022000	Whole Foods Market 6" fresh fruit tart decorated with plums	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, NJ, NY
0201897029000	Whole Foods Market 9" fresh fruit tart decorated with plums	Sold between June 1 and July 21st	CT, NJ, NY