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EHS Circular Letter: 2012-47

DATE: August 17, 2012

TO: Directors of Health
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FROM: Krista Veneziano, Epidemiologist

RE: Voluntary recall of Lucky Country Aussie Style Soft Gourmet Black Licorice with Natural Ingredients due to elevated levels of lead

Please see the attached product recall issued by FDA. The product (Lot A3057 of Lucky Country Aussie Style Soft Gourmet Black Licorice with Natural Ingredients) is manufactured by Lucky Country Inc. of Lincolnton, NC. The recalled products were sold in Costco and Smart & Final stores located in California, Arizona, and Utah. The aforementioned Lot contained lead levels as high as 0.18 parts per million which could provide up to 7.2 micrograms of lead per serving. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

Lucky Country Aussie Style Soft Gourmet Black Licorice with Natural Ingredients is packaged in a 1.5lb (680g) gusset bag with zipper. The package is red, white and black in color.

Please see the recall notice for specific information for consumers and contact information for the company. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention & Control Program at 860-509-7299.

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Recall - Firm Press Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - August 8, 2012 - Lucky Country Inc. of Lincolnton, NC is recalling Lot A3057 of Lucky Country Aussie Style Soft Gourmet Black Licorice with Natural Ingredients from Costco and Smart & Final stores located in California, Arizona, and Utah due to elevated levels of lead.

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Recent analysis performed by the California Department of Public Health found that the candy contained lead levels as high as 0.18 parts per million which could provide up to 7.2 micrograms of lead per serving. Lucky Country is voluntarily recalling lot A3057 of this candy from all Costco and Smart & Final stores located in California, Arizona, and Utah. Consumers in possession of this lot should not eat the candy and should return the candy to the place of purchase for a full refund.

Lucky Country is cooperating with the California Department of Public Health and the US Food and Drug Administration to conduct the recall. Consumers with questions may contact the company at customerservice@lucky-country.com or 828-428-8313 during business hours.