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EHS Circular Letter 2016-35

TO: Directors of Health
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Regional Lead Treatment Centers
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FROM: Christine Hahn, Epidemiologist
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DATE: August 15, 2016

SUBJECT: JM Exotic Foods, Inc. Recalls Ground Turmeric Due to Elevated Levels of Lead

On August 5, 2016 the U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued a recall for turmeric powder produced by J.M. Exotic Foods, Inc. as a result of elevated lead levels found in samples. No amount of lead is safe to ingest.

The turmeric powder was exclusively distributed to a farmer's market in Doraville, GA from May until August 2016. Product information includes: Item Number 1153, packaged in 4 oz. clear plastic clamshells, product codes: Lot# 16131185 and Lot # 16165184. Customers who have purchased this product should not consume the product use and should return it for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact JM Exotic Foods, Inc. Customer Service at (205) 699-2889.

The recall can be found at:

http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm515105.htm?source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead & Healthy Homes Program at 860-509-7299.

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Ground Turmeric

Ingredients: Turmeric

Net Wt. 4 oz.

Lot#: 10131185



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Produced in a plant that uses wheat, dairy, soy, egg, tree nuts, and fish ingredients.

Ground Turmeric

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Lot#: 10105184



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