

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SECTION

EHS Circular Letter #2010-03

To: Local Directors of Health Chief Sanitarians Certified Food Inspectors

From: Tracey Weeks, MS, RS; Food Protection Program

Date: January 12, 2010

Subject: Recall of Parkers Farm, Inc. of Coon Rapids, Minnesota Food Products Due to Potential Contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*

Parkers Farm, Inc. Of Coon Rapids, Minnesota is recalling products because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*. No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The recalled products were distributed nationwide in the following retail stores: Hy-Vee, Cub, Rainbow, Byerlys Lunds, Target, Whole Foods, Jewel, Dominicks, Marsh, Price Chopper, Shop Rite, Nash Finch, Sam's Club, Costco, Safeway.

The following recalled products were sold under the Parkers Farm or Parkers label:

~~~16 ounce peanut butter in square plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are creamy, crunchy, honey creamy and honey crunchy with sell by dates between 11/14/2010 and 12/31/2010\*\*.

~~~34 ounce peanut butter in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are creamy and crunchy with sell by dates between 8/11/2010 and 9/30/2010\*\*.

~~~7 ounce bagel spreads in white plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are garden veggie, wild berry, strawberry, apple cinnamon and honey walnut) with sell by dates between 5/13/2010 and 6/30/2010\*\*.

~~~14 ounce dips & spreads in square plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are jalapeno nacho, pimento and salsa con queso with sell by dates between 8/11/2010 and 9/30/2010\*\*.

~~~8 ounce, 12 ounce and 16 ounce cold pack cheese in round or square plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, bacon, onion, smoked cheddar, Swiss almond, horseradish, garlic, port wine, and Swiss & cheddar with sell by dates between 11/14/2010 and 12/31/2010\*\*.

~~~16 ounce salsa in square plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are hot, mild, garlic, black bean and fire roasted with sell by dates between 3/14/2010 and 4/30/2010\*\*. Other labels affected by this recall:

~~~16 ounce Happy Farms cold pack cheese in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, port wine and Swiss almond with sell by dates between 11/24/2010 and 12/10/2010\*\*.

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~~~8 ounce Kroger cold pack cheese in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, port wine and Swiss almond with sell by dates between 11/18/2010 thru 12/15/2010\*\*

~~~8 ounce Central Markets cold pack cheese in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, port wine, Swiss almond, horseradish with sell by dates of 12/9/2010\*\*

~~~14 oz. Central Markets salsa con queso in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid) with sell by dates of 8/16/2010\*\*.

~~~16 oz. Central Markets salsa in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, port wine, Swiss almond, horseradish with sell by dated of 3/17/2010 thru 3/24/2010\*\*.

~~~8 oz. Dutch Farms cold pack cheese in round plastic containers (tub with snap on lid), varieties are sharp cheddar, port wine, Swiss almond, horseradish, and Swiss & cheddar with sell by dates of 11/16/2010 thru 11/18/2010\*\*.

Table 1: We are aware of the following CT retail food stores and locations that may have received the recalled products: (Please note that there may be other locations.)

| Costco | Target Stores |
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| 200 Federal Road, Brookfield, CT | 20 West Main Street, Ansonia CT |
| 75 Freshwater Blvd, Enfield, CT | 7 Stony Hill Road, Bethel CT |
| 1718 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT | 2177 Killingly Commons, Dayville CT |
| 779 Connecticut Avenue, Norwalk, CT | 90 Elm Street, Enfield CT |
| 3600 East Main Street, Waterbury, CT | 195 River Road, Lisbon CT |
| | 125 Buckland Hills Drive, Manchester CT |
| Price Chopper | 474 Chamberlain Hwy, Meriden CT |
| 121 Farmington Avenue, Bristol, CT | 1191 Boston Post Road, Milford CT |
| 2985 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT | 475 Hartford Road, New Britain CT |
| 251 Kennedy Drive Putnam, CT | 3265 Berlin Turnpike, Newington CT |
| 410 Queen Street Southington, CT | 200 Universal Dr N, North Haven CT |
| 156 990 Torringford Street, Torrington, CT | 25 Boston Post Road, Orange CT |
| 75 Talcottville Rd, Vernon, CT | 600 Executive Blvd, Southington CT |
| 675 Poquonock Avenue, Windsor | 21 Broad Street, Stamford CT |
| | 1922 E Main Street, Torrington CT |
| Sam's Club | 120 Hawley Lane, Trumbull CT |
| 245 Wilbur Cross Highway, Berlin, CT | 5065 Main Street, Trumbull CT |
| 69 Pavilion Drive, Manchester, CT | 300 Chase Avenue, Waterbury CT |
| 2 Boston Post Road, Orange, CT | 1075 Kennedy Road, Windsor CT |
| | 900 Hartford Tpke, Waterford CT |

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| <u>Shoprite</u> | Whole Foods |
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| 1200 Farmington Avenue, Bristol, CT | 1686 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT |
| 143 Federal Road, Brookfield, CT | 340 N. Main Street. West Hartford, CT |
| 49 Pershing Drive, Derby, CT | 50 Raymond Road, West Hartford, CT |
| 214 Spencer Street, Manchester, CT | 399 Post Road West, Westport, CT |
| 155 Cherry Street, Milford, CT | 90 E. Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, CT |
| 351 Frontage Road, New London, CT | 55 Welles Street, Glastonbury, CT |
| 360 Connecticut Avenue, Norwalk, CT | 150 Ledge Road, Darien, CT |
| 943 Wolcott Street, Waterbury, CT | |
| 1131 Campbell Avenue, West Haven, CT | |

To view recall notice on FDA's website, go to http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm197101.htm

The Department of Consumer Protection, (DCP) Food & Standard Division is aware of the recall and will be conducting effectiveness checks. The DCP should be contacted at 860-713-6160 for additional information and follow-up.

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