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## **Environmental Health Section**

EHS Circular Letter 2012-59

To: Local Directors of Health

**Chief Sanitarians** 

**Certified Food Inspectors** 

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From: Tracey Weeks, MS, RS

**Food Protection Program** 

Date: October 3, 2012

Subject: Recall of Dale and Thomas Ready-to-Eat Bags of Popcorn

Dale and Thomas Popcorn is voluntarily recalling a limited number of ready-to-eat bags of select flavors of Indiana-brand popcorn products (see attached) because of possible contamination by *Listeria monocytogenes*. *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. Anyone who is concerned about a possible health problem or illness should contact a healthcare provider immediately.

Products involved in the recall should not be consumed and may be returned to the point of purchase for a full refund or replacement. The recalled products were distributed to various retailers, vendors, distribution centers, and consumers through the Internet on or after August 8th, 2012 with Best By dates of February 4th, 2013 through March 12th, 2013 (see attached list of Connecticut stores/distribution centers). All recalled products were packaged in red bags of various sizes (see attached photos). Consumers can identify if they have purchased an impacted product by looking at the Best By date located in the front, top right corner of the package and the Bag UPC (Code) located in the nutritional panel found on the back, bottom left corner of the package.

All other Popcorn, Indiana-brand products are safe to consume.

The potential for contamination was noted after testing by the company revealed the presence of Listeria monocytogenes in some ready-to-eat bags of Popcorn, Indiana-brand products.

Consumers with recalled product(s) should contact Dale and Thomas' dedicated recall hotline (866) 940-7936 Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, or email the company at: recall@daleandthomaspopcorn.com for additional information.



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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 this 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.

FDA Recall Notice <a href="http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321955.htm">http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321955.htm</a>

Product website: <a href="http://www.popcornindiana.com/product-recall">http://www.popcornindiana.com/product-recall</a>

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## 10/2/12 CT Distribution List for Indiana Brand Popcorn

Customer Name	Ship To Address	City of Industry	State	Zip Code	Phone
Bed Bath & Beyond	1065 Silas Deane Highway	Wethersfield	СТ	06109	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	169b Hale Road	Manchester	CT	06040	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	1914 East Main Street	Torrington	CT	06790	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	20 Hazard Avenue	Enfield	CT	06082	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	2045 Dixwell Avenue	Hamden	CT	06514	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	2260 Kings Highway	Fairfield	CT	06824	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	835 Queen Street	Southington	CT	06489	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	850 Hartford Turnpike	Waterford	CT	06385	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	862 Bridgeport Ave	Shelton	CT	06484	(631) 420-7050
Bed Bath & Beyond	Killingly	Dayville	CT	06241	(631) 420-7050
Foxwoods Resorts	39 Norwich-Westerly Rd	Mashantucket	CT	06338	(860) 312-4930
Snyder's of Hanover	Orange Warehouse	Orange	CT	06477	(717) 632-4477
TJX Companies Inc. (Home Goo	Bloomfield	CT	06002	(508) 390-1000	
United Natural Foods - EAST	Dayville Warehouse	Dayville	CT	06241	(603) 256-3000

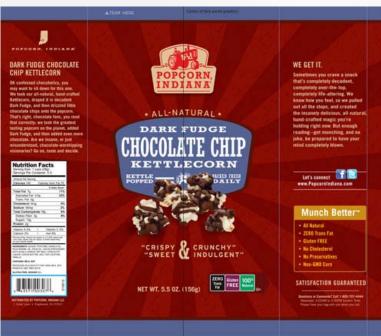


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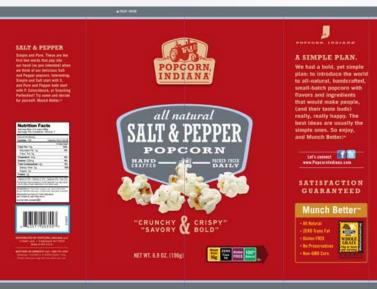


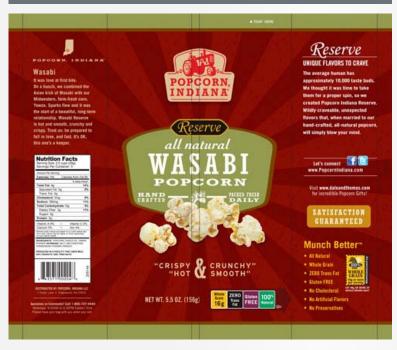




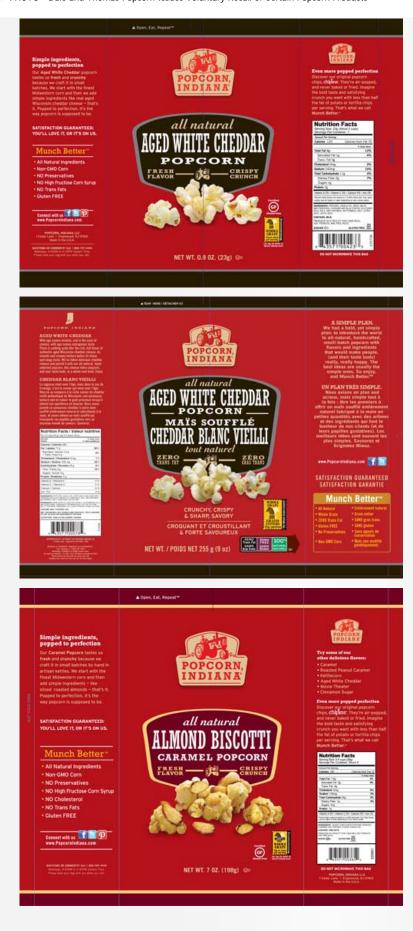














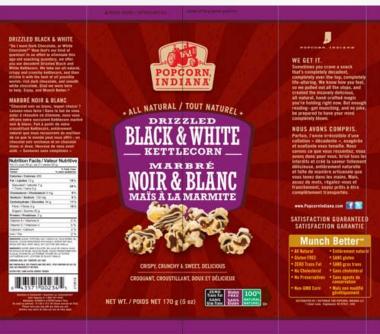


















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## **<u>Dale and Thomas</u>**, Indiana Brand Recalled Popcorn Products 10/3/12

Flavor	PKG Type	Size	Bag UPC (Code)	Best By Dates	
Aged White Cheddar	Bag	3.5oz	843571000532	2/11/2013,2/16/2013,2/25/2013,2/27/2013,3/9/2013, 3/10/2013	
Aged White Cheddar	Bag	8oz	843571000785	2/5/2013,2/11/2013,2/16/2013,2/17/2013,2/18/2013, 2/25/2013,2/26/2013,2/27/2013,3/9/2013,3/10/2013	
Aged White Cheddar	Bag	8.3oz	843571002956	2/4/2013,2/5/2013,2/11/2013,2/17/2013,2/18/2013, 2/25/2013,2/26/2013,2/27/2013	
Aged White Cheddar	Bag	9oz	843571000785	2/18/2013,2/25/2013	
Almond Biscotti	Bag	6.5oz	843571003809	2/16/2013,3/4/2013	
Almond Biscotti	Bag	7oz	843571003854	3/3/2013,3/4/2013	
American Cheese	Bag	7oz	843571004134	2/4/2013,2/12/2013,3/9/2013	
Apple Crisp	Bag	8oz	843571003243	3/4/2013	
Bacon Ranch	Bag	3.5oz	843571001942	2/18/2013,3/6/2013,3/9/2013,3/10/2013	
Bacon Ranch	Bag	7.75oz	843571001935	2/18/2013	
Bacon Ranch	Bag	8.3oz	843571003007	2/12/2013,2/18/2013,3/6/2013	
Black & White Drizzle	Bag	6oz	843571002345	2/9/2013,2/13/2013,2/23/2013,3/3/2013	
Caramel	Bag	7.4oz	843571003045	2/16/2013,3/12/2013	
Caramel	Bag	8oz	843571002369	2/4/2013,2/16/2013,3/3/2013	
Caramel Roasted Peanuts	Bag	7oz	843571003861	3/3/2013	
Chocolate Peanut Butter	Bag	5oz	843571003786	3/6/2013,3/9/2013	

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Chocolate Peanut Butter	Bag	5.5oz	843571003847	2/5/2013,2/20/2013,2/23/2013,2/24/2013,3/6/2013	
Cinnamon Sugar Drizzle	Bag	5.5oz	843571003052	3/6/2013,3/9/2013	
Cinnamon Sugar Drizzle	Bag	6oz	843571002352	2/19/2013,2/24/2013,3/10/2013	
Dark Fudge Chocolate Chip Drizzle	Bag	5.5oz	843571003076	3/6/2013,3/9/2013	
Dark Fudge Chocolate Chip Drizzle	Bag	6oz	843571002338	2/10/2013,2/12/2013,2/23/2013	
Kettlecorn	Bag	9.75oz	843571000150	2/6/2013,2/17/2013	
Kettlecorn	Bag	14oz	843571000693	2/6/2013	
Kettlecorn Multipack	8- Pack Bag	0.7oz	843571001676	2/4/2013	
Salt & Pepper	Bag	6.9oz	843571003557	2/12/2013,3/10/2013	
Wasabi Reserve	Bag	5.5oz	843571002048	2/18/2013,3/6/2013	