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**DATE:** June 5, 2015

**TO:** All Local Health Departments  
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

**FROM:** *Laurie Kidwell*  
Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor  
Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** Ainsworth Pet Nutrition - RECALL [Animal Health]

**AFFECTED PRODUCT:** Rachael Ray™ Nutrish® wet cat food

**SUMMARY:** Unclassified Recall; This recall has been initiated due to potentially elevated levels of vitamin D.

Two variety packs that contain some of these recalled products (the Chicken Lovers Variety Pack, and the Ocean Lovers Variety Pack) will also be recalled. No other Rachael Ray™ Nutrish® products are affected by this recall.

Single Pack	Unit UPC Code	Best By Dates Thru
PAW LICKIN CHICKEN AND LIVER (2.8 oz)	071190007032	AUG 17 2015
OCEAN FISH AND CHICKEN CATCH-IATORIE (2.8 oz)	071190007049	DEC 1 2016
OCEAN FISH A LICIOUS (2.8 oz)	071190007056	DEC 1 2016
TUNA PURRFECTION (2.8 oz)	071190007063	DEC 1 2016
LIP SMACKIN SARDINE AND MACKEREL (2.8 oz)	071190007070	DEC 1 2016
Multi Packs - 12 Count	Unit UPC Code	Best By Dates Thru
CHICKEN LOVERS VARIETY PACK (12 count pack of 2.8 oz cups)	071190007773	DEC 1 2016
OCEAN LOVERS VARIETY PACK (12 count pack of 2.8 oz cups)	071190007780	DEC 1 2016

The UPC code can be found on the bottom of the cup. The Best By code can be found on the side of the cup.

The recalled products are distributed nationwide.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:** Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers with questions about the recall are encouraged to contact Ainsworth's Consumer Care Team at 877-650-3486 or visit [www.nutrishforpets.com/news](http://www.nutrishforpets.com/news). Representatives will be available from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. ET Monday thru Friday and 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. ET Saturday and Sunday. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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**Recall -- Firm Press Release**



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[www.statehealth.in.gov](http://www.statehealth.in.gov)

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*Ainsworth Pet Nutrition Voluntarily Recalls Five Nutrish® Wet Cat Food Varieties For Potentially Elevated Vitamin D Levels*

**Contact:**

Consumer:  
877-650-3486  
[www.nutrishforpets.com/news](http://www.nutrishforpets.com/news)

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** – June 4, 2015 – Ainsworth Pet Nutrition of Meadville, PA is voluntarily recalling five varieties of Rachael Ray™ Nutrish® wet cat food, including Ocean Fish-a-licious, Lip Smackin’ Sardine & Mackerel, Ocean Fish & Chicken Catch-iatore, Tuna Purrrfection, and certain lot codes of Paw Lickin’ Chicken & Liver due to potentially elevated levels of vitamin D. Symptoms of excessive vitamin D consumption usually develop within 12-36 hours after ingestion and may include vomiting or diarrhea, increased thirst and urination, and muscle tremors or seizures. Any cat experiencing these symptoms should be taken to a veterinarian immediately.

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To date, there have been 11 reports of illness associated with these products.

After conducting a number of product tests, Ainsworth confirmed that the affected products have elevated levels of vitamin D. The high levels result from the natural levels of vitamin D that are found in some of the fish ingredients that were used in these specific formulas.

"At Ainsworth Pet Nutrition and Rachael Ray™ Nutrish®, the safety and quality of our products is our top priority," says Jeff Waters, CEO. "For the time being, we recommend disposing of any of the affected wet cat varieties. Rest assured we have implemented additional operating procedures to prevent an issue like this from occurring in the future. We sincerely apologize to our loyal consumers everywhere."

Ainsworth is working to ensure the removal of all affected products from store shelves. Retailers with affected products are asked to contact 888-943-4218 for additional information.

Consumers with questions about the recall are encouraged to contact Ainsworth’s Consumer Care Team at 877-650-3486 or visit [www.nutrishforpets.com/news](http://www.nutrishforpets.com/news).



Representatives will be available from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. ET Monday thru Friday and 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. ET Saturday and Sunday.

Vitamin D is important in regulating calcium and phosphorus in a cat's body. But, when ingested at very high levels, it can lead to serious health issues.

Production of the affected varieties has been suspended and will resume after reformulation.

*Ainsworth Pet Nutrition Voluntarily Recalls Five Nutrish® Wet Cat Food Varieties For Potentially Elevated Vitamin D Levels*  
*Photo*



**INGREDIENTS:**

OCEAN FISH, WATER, TUNA, VEGETABLE OIL,  
POWDERED CELLULOSE, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, GUAR GUM,  
XANTHAN GUM, CHOLINE CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, NATURAL  
FLAVOR, MAGNESIUM SULFATE, TAURINE, SALT, CARRAGEENAN, CASSIA GUM,  
L-ASCORBYL-2-POLYPHOSPHATE (SOURCE OF VITAMIN C), IRON PROTEINATE, ZINC  
PROTEINATE, NIACIN, VITAMIN E SUPPLEMENT, COPPER PROTEINATE, VITAMIN A SUPPLEMENT,  
THIAMINE MONONITRATE, MANGANESE PROTEINATE, PANTOTHENIC ACID, RIBOFLAVIN, PYRIDOXINE  
HYDROCHLORIDE, FOLIC ACID, CALCIUM IODATE, MENADIOLINE SODIUM BISULFITE COMPLEX (SOURCE OF  
VITAMIN K ACTIVITY), BIOTIN, VITAMIN D3 SUPPLEMENT, VITAMIN B12 SUPPLEMENT. 330906000WCT1V2

**GUARANTEED ANALYSIS: CRUDE PROTEIN (MIN.) 9.0%; CRUDE FAT (MIN.) 3.0%;  
CRUDE FIBER (MAX.) 3.5%; MOISTURE (MAX.) 79%; ASH (MAX.) 2.0%; TAURINE (MIN.) 0.05%**

**FEEDING GUIDELINES: FEED ADULT CATS 3.5 CONTAINERS (2.8 OZ PER CONTAINER) PER 5 POUNDS OF BODY WEIGHT  
DAILY DEPENDING ON ACTIVITY LEVEL. KITTENS EAT UP TO TWICE AS MUCH PER POUND OF BODY WEIGHT AS AN ADULT.  
AFTER OPENING, REFRIGERATE AND USE WITHIN 3 DAYS. BE SURE TO PROVIDE PLENTY OF FRESH, CLEAN WATER DAILY.  
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RACHAEL RAY  
**NUTRISH**<sup>®</sup>

NATURAL FOOD FOR CATS  
WITH ADDED VITAMINS, MINERALS & TAURINE

**OCEAN FISH-A-LICIOUS**<sup>™</sup>  
*chunks of ocean fish & flaked tuna in sauce*



NET WT 2.8 OZ (80g)



**INGREDIENTS:**

WATER, CHICKEN, LIVER, VEGETABLE OIL,  
POWDERED CELLULOSE, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, GUAR  
GUM, XANTHAN GUM, CHOLINE CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE,  
NATURAL FLAVOR, MAGNESIUM SULFATE, TAURINE, SALT, CARRAGEENAN,  
CASSIA GUM, L-ASCORBYL-2-POLYPHOSPHATE (SOURCE OF VITAMIN C), IRON  
PROTEINATE, ZINC PROTEINATE, NIACIN, VITAMIN E SUPPLEMENT, COPPER PROTEINATE,  
VITAMIN A SUPPLEMENT, THIAMINE MONONITRATE, MANGANESE PROTEINATE, PANTOTHENIC  
ACID, RIBOFLAVIN, PYRIDOXINE HYDROCHLORIDE, FOLIC ACID, CALCIUM IODATE, BIOTIN, VITAMIN  
D3 SUPPLEMENT, VITAMIN B12 SUPPLEMENT. 130906000 WC12V2

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**PAW LICKIN' CHICKEN  
& LIVER RECIPE™**  
*shredded chicken & liver morsels in sauce*



NET WT 2.8 OZ (80g)



12  
COUNT

12 - 2.8 oz Cups  
Net Wt. 33.5 oz (950g)

# RACHAEL RAY™ NUTRISH® SUPER PREMIUM FOOD for Cats



Chicken  
Lover's  
VARIETY PACK

MADE WITH Simple, Natural INGREDIENTS

4 Chicken Purrrcatta™

4 Ocean Fish & Chicken Catch-iatore

4 Paw Lickin' Chicke & Liver Recipe™

NUTRISH  
SUPER PREMIUM FOOD  
for Cats  
Chicken Purrrcatta  
Ocean Fish & Chicken Catch-iatore  
Paw Lickin' Chicke & Liver Recipe



**INGREDIENTS:**

OCEAN FISH, WATER, CHICKEN, VEGETABLE OIL,  
POWDERED CELLULOSE, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, GUAR GUM,  
XANTHAN GUM, CHOLINE CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, NATURAL  
FLAVOR, MAGNESIUM SULFATE, TAURINE, SALT, CARRAGEENAN, CASSIA GUM,  
L-ASCORBYL-2-POLYPHOSPHATE (SOURCE OF VITAMIN C), IRON PROTEINATE, ZINC PROTEINATE,  
NIACIN, VITAMIN E SUPPLEMENT, COPPER PROTEINATE, VITAMIN A SUPPLEMENT, THIAMINE  
MONONITRATE, MANGANESE PROTEINATE, PANTOTHENIC ACID, RIBOFLAVIN, PYRIDOXINE HYDROCHLORIDE,  
FOLIC ACID, CALCIUM IODATE, MENADIONE SODIUM BISULFITE COMPLEX (SOURCE OF VITAMIN K ACTIVITY),  
BIOTIN, VITAMIN B3 SUPPLEMENT, VITAMIN B12 SUPPLEMENT. 1309060000 WC13V2

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OCEAN FISH &  
CHICKEN CATCH-IATORE

*chunks of ocean fish &  
shredded chicken in sauce*



NET WT 2.8 OZ (80g)





**INGREDIENTS:**

SARDINE, WATER, MACKEREL, VEGETABLE OIL,  
POWDERED CELLULOSE, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, GUM GUM,  
XANTHAN GUM, CHOLINE CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, NATURAL  
FLAVOR, MAGNESIUM SULFATE, TAURINE, SALT, CARRAGEENAN, CASSIA GUM,  
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LEVELS ESTABLISHED BY THE AAFCO (ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN FEED CONTROL OFFICIALS) CAT FOOD NUTRIENT  
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*LIP SMACKIN' SARDINE &  
MACKEREL RECIPE™*  
*chunks of sardine & mackerel in sauce*



NET WT 2.8 OZ (80g)





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**TUNA PURRFECTION™**  
*flaked tuna in a savory sauce*



NET WT 2.8 OZ (80g)



**INGREDIENTS:**

TUNA, WATER, VEGETABLE OIL, POWDERED CELLULOSE, TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE, GUAR GUM, XANTHAN GUM, CHOLINE CHLORIDE, POTASSIUM CHLORIDE, NATURAL FLAVOR, MAGNESIUM SULFATE, TAURINE, SALT, CARRAGEENAN, CASSIA GUM, L-ASCORBYL-2-POLYPHOSPHATE (SOURCE OF VITAMIN C), IRON PROTEINATE, ZINC PROTEINATE, NIACIN, VITAMIN E SUPPLEMENT, COPPER PROTEINATE, VITAMIN A SUPPLEMENT, THIAMINE MONONITRATE, MANGANESE PROTEINATE, PANTOTHENIC ACID, RIBOFLAVIN, PYRIDOXINE HYDROCHLORIDE, FOLIC ACID, CALCIUM IODATE, MENADIONE SODIUM BISULFITE COMPLEX (SOURCE OF VITAMIN K ACTIVITY), BIOTIN, VITAMIN D3 SUPPLEMENT, VITAMIN B12 SUPPLEMENT. 1309060000 WCT0V2

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