

Michael R. Pence Governor

Jerome M. Adams, MD, MPH State Health Commissioner

DATE:

August 10, 2015

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attvi: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor

Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Angry Orchard Cider Company, LLC - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED

PRODUCT:

Angry Orchard Crisp Apple Hard Cider

SUMMARY:

Unclassified Recall; Angry Orchard is voluntarily recalling the cases due to concerns that cider from these production runs appears to be <u>showing signs of re-fermentation</u> in the bottle, which could result in increased carbonation levels, and in some instances, <u>bottles may overflow when opened or burst under</u> increased pressure.

To determine whether a bottle of Angry Orchard Crisp Apple Hard Cider has been impacted:

- For a case or 12-pack: look for the "Freshness Matters" code printed on the top or side panel of the case or 12-pack (image below). If that code begins with "June 2016 1665C" and is immediately followed by 4 digits between the range of 0001 through 0700 OR "June 2016 1805C" and is immediately followed by 4 digits between 0001 through 0545, those bottles may have been impacted.
- For an individual bottle (please use extreme care): locate the inkjet code printed directly on the glass, on the "shoulder" of the bottle just below the neck label (image below). If that code falls within the ranges of C16650001 through C16650530 OR C18050001 through C18050415, that cider may have been impacted.

The impacted cases of the cider were shipped to certain wholesalers in the states of <u>Indiana</u>, <u>Illinois</u>, <u>Kentucky</u>, <u>Michigan</u>, and <u>Ohio</u>.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers with questions should contact Angry Orchard via its website: http://angryorchard.com/contact-us or by calling 1-800-362-7110 (24-hours, live operator available). Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

Recall -- Firm Press Release



FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

Angry Orchard Cider Company Announces Voluntary Recall of Select Cases of Angry Orchard Crisp Apple Hard Cider

Contact:

Consumer: 1-800-362-7110

Media:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – August 4, 2015 – Cincinnati, Ohio – Angry Orchard Cider Company, LLC, Cincinnati, Ohio, today announced that it is conducting a voluntary recall of select cases (24/12oz bottles), 12-packs and 6-packs of Angry Orchard Crisp Apple Hard Cider.

The precautionary action comes after the Company received inquiries from consumers that had experienced broken bottles or bottles overflowing when opened. After conducting follow-up quality testing, the Company determined that the affected cider is limited to two batches, produced on June 15 and June 29, 2015.

Angry Orchard is voluntarily recalling the cases due to concerns that cider from these production runs appears to be showing signs of re-fermentation in the bottle, which could result in increased carbonation levels, and in some instances, bottles may overflow when opened or burst under increased pressure. While the impacted cider poses no health risk if consumed, the team at Angry Orchard took this measure to ensure that products available to consumers meet their high quality standards.

Angry Orchard is working with their wholesalers and retailers to remove all impacted cases of cider from store shelves and other retail locations as quickly as possible. The impacted cases of the cider were shipped to certain wholesalers in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin.

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If a bottle of the Angry Orchard Crisp Apple Hard Cider falls within the designated code ranges, consumers should handle with extreme care and dispose of the product immediately in an outside container. The Company will issue a full refund on the products described above.

To date, no illnesses or injuries have been reported. Consumers with questions should contact Angry Orchard via its website: http://angryorchard.com/contact-us or by calling 1-800-362-7110 (24-hours, live operator available).



