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DATE: May 27, 2014

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

FROM: *Laurie Kidwell*
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SUBJECT: Belleville Farmer's Market - RECALL [Food]

**AFFECTED
PRODUCT:** Shelled Walnuts

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; The recall has been initiated because the products have the potential to be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes.

The shelled walnuts come in an 8 ounce, clear plastic package marked with a Farmer's Market label indicating pack dates from March 2014 through May 2014.

The recalled Shelled Walnuts were distributed in our Belleville retail stores nationwide.

**SUGGESTED
ACTION:** Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers who have purchased 8 ounce packages of Shelled Walnuts are urged to return them to 1901 N. Belt West for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-618-235-9500. 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.



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Belleville Farmer's Market Recalls Shelled Walnuts Because of Possible Health Risk

Contact

Consumer:
618-235-9500

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - May 23, 2014 - Belleville Farmer's Market of Belleville, IL is recalling its packages of Shelled Walnuts because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, 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.

The recalled Shelled Walnuts were distributed in our Belleville retail stores.

The product comes in an 8 ounce, clear plastic package marked with a Farmer's Market label indicating pack dates from March 2014 through May 2014.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The recall was initiated after FDA sampling detected *Listeria monocytogenes* in walnuts sampled from a supplier. All walnuts processed in the supplier's facility during the same timeframe as the product found positive are being recalled.

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