

Michael R. Pence Governor

Jerome M. Adams, MD, MPH State Health Commissioner

DATE:

March 27, 2015

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection-Officer

FROM:

aurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor

Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Lindt USA - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED

PRODUCT:

Chocolate Covered Raisin Bags & Chocolate Covered Almond Bags

SUMMARY:

Unclassified Recall; The recall has been initiated due to concerns about the potential presence of <u>undeclared hazelnuts</u>.

This voluntary recall affects the following products:

- Chocolate Covered Raisin 6.4 oz standup bag with a lot code L2975 and a best before date of 4-30-2015
- Chocolate Covered Almond 6.4 oz standup bag with a lot code of L2975 and best before date of 4-30-2015

Consumers can find the lot codes on a white sticker placed on the back of the bag. Codes begin with the letter "L."

The impacted bags were available for purchase at the following nine Lindt Chocolate Shops between January 23 – March 16, 2015:

Fashion Outlets of Chicago 5220 Fashion Outlets WayRosemont, IL 60018

Chicago Premium Outlets
1650 Premium Outlets BlvdAurora, IL 60502

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers who believe they purchased one of these bags should return the product to a Lindt Chocolate Shop for a full refund, or contact Lindt Customer Service at 1-877-MY-LINDT (1-877-695-4638) 24 hours/ day or ChocCovered@lindt.com. Consumers with questions should contact Lindt Customer Service. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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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.

Lindt USA Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Hazelnuts in Chocolate Covered Raisin and Chocolate Covered
Almond Bags
Limited Product Impacted (56bags)

Contact:

Consumer: 1-877-MY-LINDT (1-877-695-4638)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE — March 24, 2015 — STRATHAM, N.H. — Premium Swiss chocolatier Lindt & Sprüngli is voluntarily recalling one product lot of its 6.4 oz Chocolate Covered Raisin Bags and 6.4 oz Chocolate Covered Almond Bags sold in nine Lindt Chocolate Shop locations in the U.S. between January 23 and March 16, 2015. Lindt is issuing this voluntary recall due to concerns about the potential presence of undeclared hazelnuts. People who are allergic to hazelnuts run the risk of a serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products.

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Lindt is issuing this voluntary recall after learning that a limited number of bags (56 bags or less) of these two products were mistakenly labeled and may contain hazelnuts. No allergic reactions have been reported to date. The impacted bags were available for purchase at the following nine Lindt Chocolate Shops between January 23 – March 16, 2015:

Fashion Outlets of Chicago 5220 Fashion Outlets Way Rosemont, IL 60018 Peninsula Hotel 692 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10019

> Maine Outlet Mall 345 US Route 1 Kittery, ME 03904 The Rolex Building 665 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10022

Woodbury Common Premium Outlets 498 Red Apple Court Central Valley, NY 10917 Tanger Outlet Center 1770 West Main Street Riverhead, NY 11720

> Sawgrass Mills 12801 West Sunrise Blvd Sunrise, FL 33323

Chicago Premium Outlets 1650 Premium Outlets Blvd Aurora, IL 60502

Mall of America 284 South Avenue Bloomington, MN 55425

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About Lindt & Sprüngli

With 170 years of history and Swiss tradition, Lindt & Sprüngli is a global leader in the premium chocolate category, offering high quality products in more than 120 countries. Lindt & Sprüngli operates 12 production facilities in Europe and the United States and employs more than 12,000 worldwide. Lindt USA operates more than 50 retail stores in the U.S. and maintains wide distribution through extensive retail and wholesale channels. For more information on Lindt, visit www.Lindt.com.

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