



**Indiana State
Department of Health**
An Equal Opportunity Employer

Michael R. Pence
Governor

William C. VanNess II, MD
State Health Commissioner

DATE: August 15, 2014

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

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

SUBJECT: McCormick & Company, Incorporated - RECALL [Food]

**AFFECTED
PRODUCT:** McCormick® Ground Oregano

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; This recall has been initiated because of possible contamination with Salmonella.

McCormick® Ground Oregano 0.75 oz bottle
UPC NUMBER: 52100003566 (as seen on label: 0-523561-6)
MCCORMICK ITEM NUMBER: 900356
AFFECTED DATE CODES: BEST BY AUG 21 16 H, BEST BY AUG 22 16 H
SHIPPING DATES: April 4, 2014 to August 5, 2014

This product was shipped to Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

**SUGGESTED
ACTION:** Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers do not need to return the product to the store where it was purchased. Instead, consumers are urged to dispose of the recalled product and its container. Please contact McCormick Consumer Affairs at 1-800-632-5847, weekdays from 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM (Eastern Time), for a replacement or full refund, and with general inquires. 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.



2 North Meridian Street • Indianapolis, IN 46204
317.233.1325 tdd 317.233.5577
www.statehealth.in.gov

To promote and provide
essential public health services.

Voluntary Recall Notice of McCormick Ground Oregano Due to Possible Salmonella Risk

Contact

Consumer:
1-800-632-5847

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - August 13, 2014 - SPARKS, Md., August 13, 2014- McCormick & Company, Incorporated is initiating a voluntary recall of **McCormick® Ground Oregano, 0.75 oz bottle**, UPC 0-523561-6 with code dates BEST BY AUG 21 16 H and AUG 22 16 H due to possible contamination with Salmonella. This recall does not impact any other McCormick Ground, Whole or Oregano Leaves products.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses.

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

The product subject to this recall is:

McCormick® Ground Oregano 0.75 oz bottle

UPC NUMBER: 52100003566 (as seen on label: 0-523561-6)

MCCORMICK ITEM NUMBER: 900356

AFFECTED DATE CODES: BEST BY AUG 21 16 H, BEST BY AUG 22 16 H

SHIPPING DATES: April 4, 2014 to August 5, 2014

STATES SHIPPED TO: AL, AZ, CA, CO, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, and WV

INTERNATIONALLY SHIPPED TO: Aruba, Bahamas, Bermuda, Indonesia, Jamaica, Netherlands, Puerto Rico, Singapore, Thailand, and Virgin Islands

The potential risk was brought to McCormick's attention by FDA during routine testing. This recall affects 1,032 cases that were shipped of the affected date codes.

McCormick has alerted customers and grocery outlets to remove the product with the affected date codes from store shelves and distribution centers immediately, and to destroy this product in a manner that would prevent any further consumption.

Consumers do not need to return the product to the store where it was purchased. Instead, consumers are urged to dispose of the recalled product and its container. Please contact McCormick Consumer Affairs at 1-800-632-5847, weekdays from 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM (Eastern Time), for a replacement or full refund, and with general inquires.

###