



**Indiana State
Department of Health**
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DATE: June 9, 2014

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

FROM: *Laurie Kidwell*
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SUBJECT: Olde Thompson Inc. - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED

PRODUCT: Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ Plastic Jars

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; This recall has been initiated due to possible contamination with Salmonella.

The recalled products are: Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ UPC code: 096619164998 in plastic Jars with a Best Before date of 03/2017 and Lot #: OT 065099, OT 065169, OT 065254, OT 065255, OT 065256, and OT 065284 located below the back label.

The recalled products were sold exclusively at Costco Wholesale Club nationwide between April 4, 2014 and June 4, 2014

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Customers who have purchased these products and have any questions should contact an Olde Thompson Customer Care Representative at 1-844-568-5555 between the hours of 8:30AM and 8:00PM CST. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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.



Olde Thompson Inc. Issues a Voluntary Recall of Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 oz Plastic Jars Due to Possible *Salmonella* Risk

Contact

Consumer:
1-844-568-5555

Media:

Pamela Ritz
512-658-9940

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - June 6, 2014 - Olde Thompson Inc. Oxnard, CA is recalling to the consumer level Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ Plastic Jars with a **Best Before date of 03/2017 and Lot #: OT 065099, OT 065169, OT 065254, OT 065255, OT 065256, and OT 065284**, due to possible contamination by *Salmonella*. This recall is being undertaken with the knowledge of the FDA.

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.

The recalled product is identified and distributed as follows:

Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ Plastic Jars UPC code: 096619164998

Sold exclusively at Costco Wholesale Club nationwide between April 4, 2014 and June 4, 2014

The recall affects 5,153 cases of recalling Kirkland Signature Coarse Ground Malabar Pepper 12.7 OZ Plastic Jars with a **Best Before date of 03/2017 and Lot #: OT 065099, OT 065169, OT 065254, OT 065255, OT 065256, and OT 065284** located below the back label.

The bacterium was discovered during routine FDA sampling of consumer products.

If you have the recalled product, please do not consume it. Please dispose of the recalled product and its container.

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