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DATE: May 22, 2014

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

FROM: Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor
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SUBJECT: Sherman Produce - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED PRODUCT: **Bulk walnuts**

SUMMARY: **Unclassified Recall; The recall has been initiated because the products are potentially contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes.***

The recalled products are bulk walnuts packaged in 25 lb bulk cardboard boxes and Schnucks brand 10 oz trays with UPC 00338390032 with best by dates 03/15 and 04/15.

These products were sold to retailers in Illinois from March – May 2014.

SUGGESTED ACTION: **Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers with any questions may call Sherman Produce at 314-231-2896, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST weekdays. 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.

Sherman Produce Recalls Bulk and Packaged Walnuts Due to Possible Health Risk

Contact
Consumer:
314-231-2896

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - May 21, 2014 - St. Louis-based Sherman Produce is voluntarily recalling walnuts comprising of 241 cases of bulk walnuts packaged in 25 lb bulk cardboard boxes and Schnucks brand 10 oz trays with UPC 00338390032 with best by dates 03/15 and 04/15 because the products are potentially contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*. *Listeria monocytogenes* is 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.

These products were sold to retailers in MO and IL from March – May 2014.

No illnesses have been reported to date.

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

Consumers who have purchased walnuts are urged not to consume them. Consumers are advised to dispose of them or return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with any questions may call **Sherman Produce at 314-231-2896, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST weekdays**.

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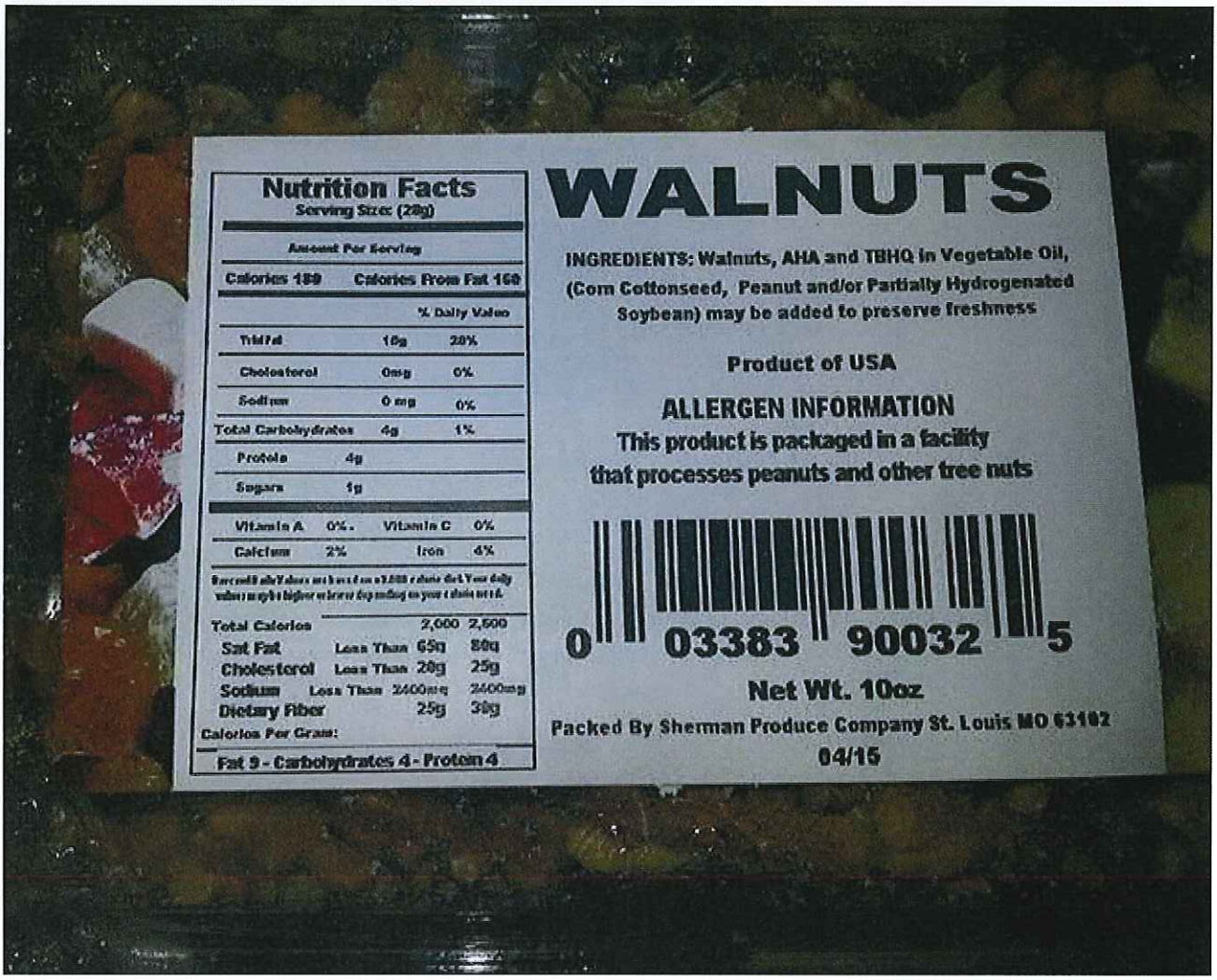


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