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DATE: July 29, 2015

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

FROM: *Laurie Kidwell*
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SUBJECT: The Kroger Co. - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED PRODUCT: Kroger Ground Cinnamon, Kroger Garlic Powder, Kroger Coarse Ground Black Pepper and Kroger Bac'n Buds

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; These products are being recalled due to possible contamination from Salmonella.

Kroger is recalling the following items:

Product	UPC	Codes	Size
Kroger Ground Cinnamon	1111070034	Sell by: May 19 18PS4	18.3 oz
Kroger Garlic Powder	1111070039	Sell by: May 18 17PS4	24.7 oz
Kroger Coarse Ground Black Pepper	1111070041	Sell by: May 18 18PS4	17.1 oz
Kroger Bac'n Buds	1111070025	Sell by: May 19 18PS4	12.0 oz

Stores under the following names in the 31 states where Kroger operates are included in this recall: Kroger, Ralphs, Food 4 Less, Foods Co., Fred Meyer, Fry's, King Soopers, City Market, Smith's, Dillons, Baker's, Gerbes, Jay C, Ruler Foods, Pay Less, Owen's, and Scott's.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Customers who have purchased the above products should not consume them and should return them to a store for a full refund or replacement. Customers who have questions may contact Kroger at 1-800-KROGERS. 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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Due to Possible Health Risk*

Contact:

Consumer:
1-800-KROGERS

Media:

Keith Dailey
513-762-1304

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 25, 2015 – Cincinnati, Ohio – The Kroger Co. (NYSE: KR) said today it is recalling Kroger Ground Cinnamon, Kroger Garlic Powder, Kroger Coarse Ground Black Pepper and Kroger Bac'n Buds sold in its retail stores due to possible contamination from *Salmonella*.

A sample of Kroger Garlic Powder from a store in North Augusta, South Carolina was tested by the FDA and found to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. To date, no illnesses have been reported in connection with these products. Out of an abundance of caution, the company has recalled all four seasonings produced on the same equipment in the same facility.

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Kroger has removed the potentially affected items from store shelves and initiated its customer recall notification system that alerts customers who may have purchased recalled Class 1 products through register receipt tape messages and phone calls.

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Kroger, one of the world's largest retailers, employs nearly 400,000 associates who serve customers in 2,626 supermarkets and multi-department stores in 34 states and the District of Columbia under two dozen local banner names including Kroger, City Market, Dillons, Food 4 Less, Fred Meyer, Fry's, Harris Teeter, Jay C, King Soopers, QFC, Ralphs and Smith's. The company also operates 780 convenience stores, 327 fine jewelry stores, 1,342 supermarket fuel centers and 37 food processing plants in the U.S. Recognized by Forbes as the most generous company in America, Kroger supports hunger relief, breast cancer awareness, the military and their families, and more than 30,000 schools and community organizations. Kroger contributes food and funds equal to 200 million meals a year through more than 100 Feeding America food bank partners. A leader in supplier diversity, Kroger is a proud member of the *Billion Dollar Roundtable* and the U.S. Hispanic Chamber's *Million Dollar Club*.

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