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State Health Commissioner

DATE: November 6, 2015

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

FROM: Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor
Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: World Variety Produce, Inc. - RECALL [Food]

AFFECTED PRODUCT: **Italian Pine Nuts 2oz and 3oz**

SUMMARY: **Unclassified Recall; The recall has been initiated because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella* Recalled Italian Pine Nuts can be identified by the following descriptions:**

Melissa's Italian Pine Nuts	
Brand	Melissa's Italian Pine Nuts
Packaging	2oz (57g) Plastic Bag
UPC Code	0-45255-14351-5
Use By Date (located on back panel)	09.14.2016
Batch Code (located on back panel)	15CNP10
Wegmans Italian Classics Pine Nuts 3oz	
Brand	Wegmans Italian Classics Pine Nuts
Packaging	3oz (85g) Square Plastic Tub
UPC Code	0-77890-24823-2
Best Used By Date (located on bottom of tub)	041016, 041716

The Italian Pine Nuts were distributed through retailers in the nearby states of Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, and, Ohio.

SUGGESTED ACTION: **Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers who have purchased Melissa's Italian Pine Nuts 2oz & Wegmans Italian Classics Pine Nuts 3oz are urged to destroy and dispose of recalled product. Consumers with questions may contact the company at hotline@melissas.com or call 1-800-588-0151, Mon-Fri 6:00 AM–6:00 PM PST. 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.

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For Immediate Release

November 6, 2015

Contact

Consumers

Customer Care
800-588-0151
hotline@melissas.com

Media

Robert Schueller, Director of Public Relations
800-588-1281
Robert Schueller

Firm Press Release

View Product Photos

World Variety Produce, Inc. of Los Angeles, CA is voluntarily recalling Italian Pine Nuts 2oz and 3oz, because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever,diarrhea (which may be bloody), 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 such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Italian Pine Nuts were distributed through retailers in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Washington.

No illnesses have been reported to date.

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The recall was a result of a routine random sampling program by the FDA which revealed that the finished products contained the bacteria. The company has ceased the production and distribution of the product as the FDA and World Variety Produce, Inc. continue their investigation as to what caused the problem.

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Product Photos

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www.melissas.com

Wegmans
ITALIAN CLASSICS
PINE NUTS
NET WT 3 OZ (85g)

Nutrition Facts
Ingredient: Pine Nut Kernels.
Distributed by:
Wegmans Food Markets, Inc.
Rochester, NY 14603
Product of Italy, Packed in USA
Caution: Shell fragments may be present. Discard before using.
Store in a cool, dry place.
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