

**Subject: ALFOODACT 009-2011 Cargill Initiates Voluntary Recall for Suspected Ground Turkey Contaminated With Salmonella Heidelberg**

**Date Issued: August 3, 2011**

**1. REFERENCES:**

- a. DLAR 4155.26/AR 40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38c, DODHazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System.
- b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1 (f).

**2. BACKGROUND:**

Cargill is initiating this recall as a result of its internal investigation, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) information that became available on Aug. 1, 2011, as well as an ongoing USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) investigation into multiple illnesses from Salmonella Heidelberg.

Class I voluntary recall of approximately 36 million pounds of fresh and frozen ground turkey products produced at the company's Springdale, Ark., facility from Feb. 20, 2011, through Aug. 2, 2011, due to possible contamination from Salmonella Heidelberg.

Additionally, Cargill has suspended production of ground turkey products at its Springdale, Ark., turkey processing facility until it is able to determine the source of the Salmonella Heidelberg and take corrective actions. Other turkey products produced at Springdale are not part of the recall. Cargill owns four turkey processing facilities in the U.S. and no products from the other three are involved in the recall.

**3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:**

The products involved are Ground Turkey. All packages include Est. P-963 on the label. Products are listed below:

Consumers are urged to return any opened or unopened packages of ground turkey items listed on Cargill's website ([www.cargill.com/turkey-recall](http://www.cargill.com/turkey-recall)) to stores where they were purchased for a full refund.

Fact Sheet URL:

[http://www.fsis.usda.gov/factsheets/Safe\\_Food\\_Handling\\_Fact\\_Sheets/index.asp](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/factsheets/Safe_Food_Handling_Fact_Sheets/index.asp)

Photo/Product List URL:

<http://www.cargill.com/wcm/groups/public/@ccom/documents/document/na3047772.pdf>

**Ground Turkey Chubs – Use or Freeze by Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/23/11**

- 10 lbs. Chubs of Honeysuckle White Fresh Natural Lean Ground Turkey with Natural Flavorings
- 10 lbs. Chubs of Unbranded Ground Turkey w/ Natural Flavoring 2 Pack
- 80 oz. (5 lbs.) chubs of Riverside Ground Turkey with Natural Flavoring
- 10 lb. Chub of Natural Lean Ground Turkey with Natural Flavorings
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Fresh Lean HEB Ground Turkey 93/7
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Fresh HEB Ground Turkey 85/15
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Honeysuckle White 93/7 Fresh Ground Turkey with Natural Flavoring
- 4-1 Pound Packages of Honeysuckle White Ground Turkey with Natural Flavoring Value Pack
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Fresh Ground Turkey
- 48 oz. (3 lb.) chubs of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Fresh Ground Turkey

**85% Ground Turkey - Use or Freeze by Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/23/11**

- 19.2 oz. (1.2 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Ground Turkey
- 19.2 oz. (1.2 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White Taco Seasoned Ground Turkey Colored with Paprika
- 20 oz. (1 lb. 4 oz.) trays of Safeway Fresh Ground Turkey with Natural Flavorings \* 15% Fat
- 19.2 oz. (1 lb. 3.2 oz.) trays of Kroger Ground Turkey Fresh 85/15
- 48.0 oz. (3 lb.) trays of Kroger Ground Turkey Fresh 85/15
- 48.0 oz. (3 lbs.) trays of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Ground Turkey Family Pack
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Ground Turkey
- 19.2 oz. (1.2 lbs.) trays of Honeysuckle White Seasoned Italian Style Ground Turkey with Natural Flavorings
- 20 oz. (1.25 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Ground Turkey

**(NOTE: Sold in Texas only at Randall's and Tom Thumb, Use or Freeze by 03/12/11 through 05/05/11)**

**93% Ground Turkey - Use or Freeze by Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/23/11**

- 19.2 oz. (1.20 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White 93/7 Lean Ground Turkey
- 48 oz. (3.0 lbs.) trays of Honeysuckle White 93/7 Lean Ground Turkey Family Pack
- 19.2 oz. (1.2 lb.) trays of Fit & Active Lean Ground Turkey 93/07
- 19.2 oz. (1.2 lbs.) trays of Giant Eagle Ground Turkey Fresh & Premium Lean
- 19.2 oz. (1 lb 3.2 oz.) trays of Kroger Ground Turkey Fresh Lean 93/7
- 20 oz. (1.25 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White 93/7 Lean Ground Turkey

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### **Ground Patties**

- 16.0 oz. (1 lb.) trays of Honeysuckle White Ground Turkey Patties
- Use or Freeze by Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/23/11
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) trays of Kroger Ground Seasoned Turkey Patties Fresh 85/15
- Use or Freeze by Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/23/11
- 16.0 oz. (1 lb.) trays of Shady Brook Farms Ground Turkey Burgers with Natural Flavoring

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### **NOTE: ONLY THE FOLLOWING USE OR FREEZE BY DATES ARE AFFECTED:**

- 07/09/11
- 07/10/11
- 07/11/11
- 07/15/11
- 07/16/11
- 07/21/11
- 07/22/11
- 07/24/11
- 08/01/11
- 08/04/11

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### **Frozen Ground Turkey – Production Dates of 2/20/11 through 8/2/11**

- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Honeysuckle White Ground Turkey with Natural Flavoring
- 16 oz. (1 lb.) chubs of Spartan Ground Turkey
- 48 oz. (3 lb.) chubs of Honeysuckle White 85/15 Ground Turkey
- 40 lb. Bulk Packed Ground Turkey with Natural Flavoring For Food Service Use Only

#### **4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:**

Cargill Value Added Meats Retail  
(A business unit of Wichita-based Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation)  
Springdale, Ark.  
(1-888-812-1646)

#### **5. DISTRIBUTION:** Not Specified

**6. REASON FOR ACTION:** Product Suspected of Being Contaminated With Salmonella Heidelberg

## 7. INSTRUCTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:

- a. Immediately inventory stocks to identify the above items and secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use. POSITIVE FINDINGS should be reported to Accountable Officers/Vendor Representatives of that facility. Accountable Officer/Agency representatives/Buyers/Contracting Officers should seek/refund/credit/replacement through the normal distribution channel with which the product was received (i.e. Distribution Centers, Prime Vendors, or Manufacturers).
- b. Ships at sea are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products at their discretion. Documentation for the number of pounds and cases, and any additional pertinent information must be signed by the Accountable Officer and is required for the purpose of recouping to the government the cost of the product involved. In order to get credit please use a SF 364 and forward to your supporting FISC and copy furnished to NAVSUP 51. Your supporting FISC should forward to the account manager at DLA Troop Support. The form should include the number of the recall authorizing the survey action. Home-ported ships/galleys will utilize DD form 1149 to transfer w/ reimbursement to the PV. The PV will submit credit invoice to the account manager at DLA Troop Support.
- c. DLA Troop Support Subsistence Prime Vendors must report POSITIVE and NEGATIVE RESPONSES directly to the their DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer with a courtesy copy to the Consumer Safety Officer ([dscpconssafofc@dla.mil](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil)).
- d. DeCA, AAFES, MWR, VA, MCCS, or other non-DLA Troop Support agencies SHOULD NOT respond to the DLA Troop Support Consumer Safety Officer. These agencies should report POSITIVE and NEGATIVE responses in accordance with their agency recall policies.
- e. When corresponding with DLA Troop Support concerning this message please include this message's subject in your subject line.

**8. The Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is** CW3 Tony Hemphill, Consumer Safety Officer at DLA-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2922, Commercial (215) 737-2922, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526, email [dscpconssafofc@dla.mil](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil).

**9. Individuals or groups that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to** [dscpconssafofc@dla.mil](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil) , with "add to list" in the subject line. To be removed from the list place "remove from list" in the subject line.

**10. Previous recalls and frequently asked questions are available at the following web site:**

<http://www.troopsupport.dla.mil/subs/fso/alfood/alfood.asp> .

The navigation tool to the left allows you to also view DLA Troop Support Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls.

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