

**ITEM:** PICANTE SAUCE

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**NSN:** 8950-01-487-1633

**ITEM SPECIFICATION:** CID A-A-20259  
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**APPROXIMATE CALORIC VALUE:** 10 Calories (ANCILLARY)

**CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM:**

**APPEARANCE:** deep reddish brown color with small pieces of onion and jalapeno peppers, may have small pieces of tomato

**ODOR:** tomato with spices and jalapeno pepper, moderate pungency

**FLAVOR:** tomato with spices and jalapeno pepper, slightly acidic

**TEXTURE:** smooth, moderately thick tomato sauce matrix with small distinct pieces of onion, and jalapeno peppers, may have small pieces of tomato

**DEFECTS LIKELY TO OCCUR:**

**Appearance:** darkening

**Odor:** sour, burnt, off odor

**Flavor:** sour/to burnt/to bitter, off flavor

**Texture:** extreme syneresis, (more than a slight separation of free liquid as is normal)

**UNIQUE EXAMINATION/TEST PROCEDURES:** Due to the spicy nature of the product, it should be the last component organoleptically evaluated to prevent carryover to other samples and consequent masking of their odor and flavor.