

Subject: ALFOODACT 064-2012 Hines Nut Company, Dallas, TX Announces Voluntary Recall of SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA IN-SHELL PEANUTS Due to Possible Health Risk

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1. REFERENCES:

- a. DLAR 4155.26/AR 40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38c, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System.

- b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1 (f).

2. BACKGROUND:

Hines Nut Company Inc. today announced a voluntary recall of its SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA IN-SHELL PEANUTS. These peanuts were processed in the Sunland, Inc. Peanut Processing Plant and may be contaminated with Salmonella. Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and those 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.

Specifically, the recall includes SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA IN-SHELL PEANUTS which were processed in its Peanut Processing Plant located in Portales, New Mexico, and which are within their current shelf life or have no stated expiration date because they have the possibility of containing Salmonella.

The SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA IN-SHELL PEANUTS available to retail customers were distributed under the HINES or Dollar General Clover Valley label. These were distributed nationally to numerous large supermarket, grocery and retail chains. The SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA IN-SHELL PEANUTS being recalled were distributed during the six month period prior to the recall date (April 12, 2012 – October 12, 2012), and will have best by/expiration dates on the packaging from October 12, 2012 through August 27, 2013.

To date, Hines Nut Company, Inc. has not received any complaints concerning illness on any of these lot numbers. Consumers who have purchased any of the recalled products are urged not to eat them and to return products to the place of purchase for a full refund or dispose of them immediately. The “Best-If-Used-By” date or product expiration date is printed on the packaging.

Consumers can contact the Company at 1 800-561-6374 for information regarding this recall. This toll-free number is operational 24 hours a day.

This recall is being conducted in cooperation with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). **The most current information available from the FDA is posted at the following website:** <http://www.fda.gov/Food/FoodSafety/default.htm> .

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

The lot number information can be located on the fourth line of the "Packing Information" printed in black on the package.

The HINES package is a cello/poly laminated bag, predominately blue, with a yellow label stating 'SALTED JUMBO VIRGINIA PEANUTS' packed as 8oz, 10oz, 12oz, 16oz and 24oz; Hines also packages three 'theme' cello/poly laminated bags that are 5.5oz each. The themes for these bags are: 1) Independence Day – red, white and blue in color with a stylized flag on the front; 2) Football Season – with a football on the front; and Hunting Season – with a camouflage motif on the front of the bag.

The packing information begins with the words '**BEST BUY**'. The recall lot numbers are as follows, located on the fourth line of the 'BEST BUY' statement:

S03718, S03699, S03724, S03753, S03765, S03784, S03798, S03806, S03810, S03824, S03826, S03840, S03863, S03886, S03907, S03928, S03933, S03938, S03950, S03958, S03967, S03972, S03978, S03989, S03991, S04012, S04025, S04042, S04054, S04066, S04097, S04109, S04123, S04134, S04141, S04141, S04165, S04200, S04201, S04211, S04229, S04236, and S04247.

4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Hines Nut Company Inc.
1-800-561-6374

5. DISTRIBUTION: Other: Pacific (Far-East)

6. REASON FOR ACTION: Due to potential to be contaminated with Salmonella

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 NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center (NAVSUP FLC) and copy furnished to NAVSUP 51. Your supporting NAVSUP FLC 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)..

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 CW4 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 .

9. Individuals or groups that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to 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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