

Subject: ALFOODACT 036-2013 Reser's Fine Foods Recalls Chicken, Ham and Beef Products Due To Potential Listeria Monocytogenes Contamination

Date Issued: October 23, 2013

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:

Reser's Fine Foods, a Topeka, Kansas Establishment (AKA US Army Public Health Command #20-0026), is recalling approximately 22,800 pounds of chicken, ham and beef products due to possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The company announced that these products are being recalled in conjunction with other foods regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). A full list of products being recalled can be found on FDA's website at www.fda.gov/Food/RecallsOutbreaksEmergencies/Recalls/default.htm.

The products were distributed to retailers and distributors in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

The problem was discovered through microbiological testing by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. A traceback investigation and follow-up testing by FDA at the facility determined there was potential cross contamination of products with *Listeria monocytogenes* from product contact surfaces. FSIS and the company have not received reports of illnesses due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an illness should contact a healthcare provider.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers. When available, the retail distribution list(s) will be posted on the FSIS website at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/current-recalls-and-alerts>.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact the Reser's Fine Foods Consumer Hotline at 1-888-257-7913 (8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Eastern Time).

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

Products regulated by FSIS bear the establishment number "EST. 13520" or "P-13520" inside the USDA mark of inspection and include the following:

<u>UPC</u>	<u>Pack/Size</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Use-By Date</u>
22486 15887	5 lbs	Cobble Street Market Chicken Salad	11/15/13
58108 30149	5 lbs	Cross Valley Farms Chicken Salad	11/13/13
58108 30166	5 lbs	Cross Valley Farms Ham Salad	11/23/13

71117 11392	5 lbs	Reser's Fine Foods White Meat Chicken Salad with Cranberries & Pecans	11/13/2013
71117 11400	5 lbs	Reser's Fine Foods Chicken Salad	11/15/2013
71117 11402	5 lbs	Reser's Fine Foods Ham Salad	11/26/2013
71117 14139	5 lbs	Reser's Fine Foods Ham Salad Supreme	11/23/2013
71117 14179	3 lbs	Millers Bar-B-Que Beans with Beef	11/19/2013
71117 19008	12 oz	Reser's Fine Foods White Meat Chicken Salad	11/13/2013
71117 68007	5 lbs	Classic Chicken Salad	11/13/2013
77509 63308	12 oz	Chef Solutions Cranberry Pecan White Meat Chicken Salad	11/16/2013
71117 61502	3 lbs	Stonemill Kitchens Loaded Potato Salad with Bacon	10/23/2013

4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Reser's Fine Foods
3167 SE 10th Street
Topeka, Kansas 66607-2508
1-888-257-7913

5. DISTRIBUTION: All

6. REASON FOR ACTION: Due to the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

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 (dscpcnssafofc@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.

Regards,

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