SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 011-2014 Ruiz' Issues a Voluntary Recall of Select Ranchero Steak Tornados and Specified El Monterey Beef Taquito Products as Implementation of Rancho Feeding Corporation's Recall

Date Issued: February 20, 2014

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/UPDATE:

Rancho Feeding Corporation is conducting a Class I recall of all beef products it processed from January 1, 2013 to January 7, 2014. Ruiz Foods has been advised by one of its former beef suppliers that it indirectly sourced a small quantity of beef products from Rancho.

To date, there have been no illnesses reported linked to the consumption of Rancho beef. Nonetheless, consistent with our commitment to safety and USDA direction, as a downstream consignee of Rancho beef, we are assisting Rancho to implement their recall.

To support the continued efforts of the Rancho recall, we request that you review your inventory for certain manufacturing codes and cease further distribution and sale of only the specified Ranchero Steak Tornados® and El Monterey® beef taquito products. It is important to review the dates as Ruiz' moved away from this supplier late last year. Only listed Ranchero Steak Tornados® and El Monterey® beef taquito products are impacted. NO OTHER TORNADOS BRANDED PRODUCTS or EL MONTEREY® BRANDED PRODUCT supplied to you are affected.

If you have questions on the Rancho recall, please see FSIS's web site for more information http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/current-recalls-and-alerts

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES

Case/Item UPC 71007-40194/40389- El Monterey Beef Taquito Products 71007-86390/86390-Ranchero Beef Steak Tornados

Listed below are the Lot #/Julian Codes that are affected. (Lot numbers and Julian Codes are Interchangeable Between Both Products)

ONLY these LOT #'s are affected. If you do not have any of these your product is NOT affected.

LOT #: 1311483945 Julian Code: 13114

LOT #: 1311484527 Julian Code: 13114

LOT #: 1311484780 Julian Code: 13114 LOT #: 1312093680 Julian Code: 13120

LOT #: 1312093681 Julian Code: 13120

LOT #: 1312094274 Julian Code: 13120

LOT #: 1312094496 Julian Code: 13120

LOT #: 1312094498 Julian Code: 13120

LOT #: 1313527325 Julian Code: 13135

LOT #: 1313527462 Julian Code: 13135

LOT #: 1313528618 Julian Code: 13135

LOT #: 1313732297 Julian Code: 13137

LOT #: 1314039067 Julian Code: 13140

LOT #: 1314141436 Julian Code: 13141

LOT #: 1328148908 Julian Code: 13281

LOT #: 1328149213 Julian Code: 13281

LOT #: 1328149316 Julian Code: 13281

LOT #: 1328249527 Julian Code: 13282

LOT #: 1328249538 Julian Code: 13282

LOT #: 1328762252 Julian Code: 13287

LOT #: 1328762486 Julian Code: 13287 LOT #: 1328762813 Julian Code: 13287

LOT #: 1328762993 Julian Code: 13287

LOT #: 1328763677 Julian Code: 13287

LOT #: 1329174013 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329174016 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329174231 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329174471 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175114 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175308 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175495 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175496 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175845 Julian Code: 13291

LOT #: 1329175993 Julian Code: 13291

HOW TO READ Julian CODE: Production Date 20/2011

11 046 06:08

11(Year) 046 (manufactured on the 46th day [February 15] of 2011) 06:08 (Time)

4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Ruiz Food products, Inc. P.O. Box 37, Dinuba, CA. Customer Line at 1-800-Spanish or 1-800-772-6474

5. **DISTRIBUTION**: All

6. **REASON FOR ACTION**: Product Produced Without the Benefit of Full USDA Inspection [Associated with Rancho Feeding Corporation Recall]

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 (For instructions on how to "Properly Prepare a Standard Form" (SF) 364 please use this link http://www.landandmaritime.dla.mil/Offices/Packaging/PrepSF364.asp and forward to 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.

Regards, Mr. Hemphill

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