

**SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 039-2014 Bumble Bee Foods of San Diego, California is Voluntarily Recalling Specific Codes of Pouched Albacore Tuna Due to Defects in the Pouch Seals**

**Date Issued:** October 7, 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:**

Bumble Bee Foods of San Diego, California is voluntarily recalling specific codes of pouched Albacore tuna due to defects in the pouch seals which could result in product contamination by spoilage organisms or pathogens, and could lead to illness if consumed. It is important to note that to date, there have been no reports of illness associated with these products. As part of this voluntary recall, our records show that you were shipped one or more of the affected codes. The codes in questions are between the dates of 3/3/2014 through 9/11/2014.

**Action Steps:**

1. Disposition of Warehouse Inventory (unopened cases): Should you find any of these codes of the product UPCs noted in this correspondence in your warehouse (full-case) inventory, please put it on hold immediately. Then, please email [bbtransportation@bumblebee.com](mailto:bbtransportation@bumblebee.com) to arrange for an immediate return of the aforementioned products. Our Bumble Bee Transportation team will contact you to arrange for product disposition to a Bumble bee designated site. Please provide the following information in your correspondence:

- Your warehouse location / address the product will be available for Bumble Bee
- Product quantity (number of cases by UPC)
- Product(s) quantity (number of cases & UPC information if possible)
- Customer contact information (name, phone number, email address)

If you have any questions with regard to full / unopened case disposition, please contact Sharon Regan, Director Transportation at Bumble Bee Foods @ (858) 715-3018 for additional assistance.

2. Disposition of store / retail inventory (opened cases on retail shelves available for commerce): If you should find these affected lot codes of Bumble Bee pouch items downstream in your store, please instruct store personnel to remove the product from commerce. Please send these affected items through the reclamation process currently in place for your store location. Please instruct the reclaim organization to DESTROY this product.

3. Please note: This voluntary recall action is restricted only to the items / codes listed on this document.

4. Please note that this voluntary recall DOES NOT include any Bumble Bee canned tuna products, nor does it include any Bumble Bee albacore or light tuna pouch items marked with "Product of Thailand"

5. For any questions concerning this voluntary recall, consumer should contact Bumble Bee Consumer Affairs 24 hours a day at 888-632-8405

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

Case UPC 8660024011 Label UPC 8660024011  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Albacore Tuna in Water  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024012 Label UPC 8660024012  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Fillet Albacore Tuna with Jalapenos and Olive Oil  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024013 Label UPC 8660024013  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Fillet Albacore Tuna with Sundried Tomatoes and Olive Oil  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024014 Label UPC 8660024014  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Fillet Albacore Tuna with Chipotle and Olive Oil  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024016 Label UPC 8660024016  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Albacore Tuna in Water  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024031 (shipper) Label UPC 8660024011  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Albacore Tuna in Water  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024051 (cluster pack) Label UPC 8660024016  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Albacore Tuna in Water  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

Case UPC 8660024191 Label UPC 8660024191  
Product: Bumble Bee Premium Fillet Omega-3 Albacore Tuna with Omega-3 Tuna Oil  
Best By Date: March 2017 – September 2017

4. **MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:**  
Bumble Bee Foods of San Diego, California  
888-632-8405

5. **DISTRIBUTION:** All

6. **REASON FOR ACTION:** Due to the potential for spoilage or pathogenic contamination that could lead to illness if consumed

**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 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](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil) ).

d. DeCA, AAFES, MWR, VA, MCCA, 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](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.

Regards,  
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