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**SUBJECT:** ALFOODACT 2015-014 Beech-Nut Nutrition Recalls Baby Food Product Due to Possible Foreign Matter Contamination

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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/UPDATE:

Beech-Nut Nutrition, an Amsterdam, N.Y. establishment, is recalling approximately 1,920 pounds of baby food products that may be contaminated with small pieces of glass, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The problem was discovered after the firm received a complaint from a consumer who found a small piece of glass in the product.

The company has received a report of an oral injury associated with consumption of these products. FSIS has received no additional reports of injury or illness from consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an injury or 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 www.fsis.usda.gov/recalls.

Consumers with questions about the recall can contact the Beech-Nut Consumer Hotline at (866) 674-4446. Media with questions about the recall can contact Jodi Breuer, Director of Marketing, at (518) 839-0183.

# 3. Production dates and identification codes:

The baby food product was produced on December 12, 2014. The following product is subject to recall: [View Labels; http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/2015/recall-061-2015-release]

4-oz. glass jars containing "Stage 2 Beech-Nut CLASSICS sweet potato & chicken"

The product subject to recall bears the establishment number "P-68A" inside the USDA mark of inspection. The affected product expires in "DEC 2016" and includes product numbers "12395750815" through "12395750821". These items were shipped to retail locations nationwide.

# 4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Beech-Nut Nutrition, an Amsterdam, N.Y Beech-Nut Consumer Hotline at (866) 674-4446

5. **DISTRIBUTION**: All

6. **REASON FOR ACTION**: Due to the potential to be contaminated with Foreign Matter (Glass)

## 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 (<a href="mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil">dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</a> ).
- 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 MAJ Joseph Eggers, Veterinary Liaison Officer at DLA-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2934, Commercial (215) 737-2934, 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 <a href="mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil">dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</a>, 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: <a href="http://www.troopsupport.dla.mil/subs/fso/alfood/alfood.asp">http://www.troopsupport.dla.mil/subs/fso/alfood/alfood.asp</a>. The navigation tool to the left allows you to also view DLA Troop Support Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls.

# Regards,

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