SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2015-020 Niagara issues recall for water due to possible e. coli 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:

June 21--Niagara Bottling Co. issued a voluntary recall on bottled spring water due to possible contamination with E. coli.

The state Departments of Agriculture, Environmental Protection and Health advised people to not consume water bottled from June 10 to 18 at facilities in Hamburg and Upper Macungie, Lehigh County.

According to a press release from the Department of Agriculture, Niagara bought the water from Far Away Springs, Auburn. Samples from Far Away Springs tested by DEP indicated the presence of E. coli. The bottling company received the water and did not treat it at a DEP-permitted treatment facility.

The presence of E. coli indicates the water may be contaminated with human or animal waste, according to the press release. Symptoms can include diarrhea, cramps, nausea and headaches. People with compromised immune systems, infants and the elderly are at an increased risk of experiencing symptoms if contaminated water is consumed.

Niagara Bottling Co. posted an official notice on its website, www.niagarawater.com

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

The following products are subject to recall:

Niagara Bottling LLC is issuing a voluntary recall for all spring water products produced at both the Hamburg and Allentown facilities from the time frame of 3 a.m. June 10 to 8 p.m. June 18. The products were sold under the following brand names: Acadia, Acme, Big Y, Best Yet, 7-11, Niagara, Nature's Place, Pricerite, Superchill, Morning Fresh, Shaws, Shoprite, Western Beef Blue, Wegman's."

The bottles are identified by a code, which indicates the place, date and time the product was produced. Products made in Hamburg have codes that begin with the letter

"F" and codes for Allentown begin with the letter "A." The first digit after the letter indicates the number of the production line. The next two numbers indicate the day, then the month in letters, the year and the time, based on a 24-hour clock.

For more information, call Niagara at 877-487-7873.

4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Niagara Bottling, LLC 2560 East Philadelphia Street Ontario, CA 91761 Tel: (909) 230-5000 Toll free: (877) ITS-PURE or (877) 487-7873

OR

Niagara at 877-487-7873

5. DISTRIBUTION: All

6. REASON FOR ACTION: some of these products may be contaminated with E. coli

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).

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, 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 <u>dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</u>.

9. Individuals or groups that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to <u>dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</u>, 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: <u>http://www.troopsupport.dla.mil/subs/fso/alfood/alfood.asp</u>. The navigation tool to the left allows you to also view DLA Troop Support Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls.

Regards,

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