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SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2017-018 Bee International issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Milk in "Plastic Heart Tubes with Chocolate Lentils"

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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:

Bee International, Inc. of Chula Vista, CA is recalling its 1.7oz. Plastic Heart Tubes with Chocolate Lentils because they may contain undeclared milk protein. People who have allergies to milk may run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume this product.

The recalled "Chocolate Lentils" were distributed nationwide in retail stores and through food distributors.

The product comes in a 1.7oz clear plastic tube marked with Best Before April 2019 on the label and bearing the <u>UPC 0-73563-00805-9</u>. It is a Valentine item consisting of chocolate lentils packed inside the clear plastic tube, with a heart shaped topper as a lid.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that the milk-containing product was used during the packaging of the product. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the company's production and packaging processes.

Consumers who have purchased 1.7oz. Plastic Heart Tubes with Chocolate Lentils with Best Before April 2019 are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-421-6465, Monday-Friday from 7:30am-4:00pm, PST.

3. Affected Items due to Supplier Contamination

Link to the Original Recall. Picture of product is below.



4. 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.dla.mil/LandandMaritime/Offers/Services/TechnicalSupport/Logistics/Packaging/Pr epareSF364.aspx]) 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 their DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer with a courtesy copy to the Consumer Safety Officer (<u>dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</u>).
- 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.
- 5. The Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is CW3 Jemme Neal, Consumer Safety Officer at DLA-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2922, Commercial (215) 737-2922 or email: dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Previous recalls and frequently asked questions are available at the following web site: http://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT.aspx
 The navigation tool to the left allows you to also view DLA Troop Support Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls.

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