SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2017-025 Ajinomoto Windsor, Inc. Recalls Frozen Ready-To-Eat Beef Products 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: Ajinomoto Windsor, Inc., a Lampasas, Texas establishment, is recalling approximately 35,168 pounds of frozen ready-to-eat beef taquito products that may be contaminated with extraneous materials, specifically rubber with plastic, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced.
- 3. Product Affected: The frozen ready-to-eat beef taquito items were produced on December 30, 2016. The following products are subject to recall:
- 60-oz. plastic bags inside of a corrugated carton labeled as "JOSÉ OLÉ TAQUITOS BEEF CARNE DE RES IN CORN TORTILLAS Crispy and Crunchy," with case codes 3366365A, 3366365B, 3366365C, 3366365D and a Best By date of December 30, 2017.

The products subject to recall bear establishment number "Est. M-5590" inside the USDA mark of inspection. These items were shipped to retail locations in California, Florida, Illinois, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Wyoming.

The problem was discovered when Ajinomoto Windsor, Inc. received two consumer complaints of foreign material in its ready-to-eat beef products on March 14, 2017 and March 21, 2017. The foreign materials were pieces of rubber with white plastic that originated from the establishments processing equipment.

There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a healthcare provider.

Consumers who have purchased these products are urged not to consume them. These products should be thrown away or returned to the place of purchase.

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.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall can contact Paul Taylor, General Counsel, at (909) 477-4800

4. PRODUCT PHOTOS: https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/wcm/connect/aeb09b19-3155-4b16-b979-d23deff83a5e/031-2017-labels.pdf?MOD=AJPERES





5. 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.
- 6. The Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is CW4 Jemme Neal, Consumer Safety Officer at DLA-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2922, Commercial (215) 737-2922 or email: dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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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