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SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2017-042 – Custom Culinary, Inc. Recalls Chicken and Beef Soup Base Due to Misbranding and Undeclared Allergens

Date Issued: 14 July 2017

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.

2. Background: Custom Culinary, Inc., an Oswego, Ill. establishment, is recalling approximately 9,444 pounds of chicken and beef base products due to misbranding and undeclared allergens, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today. The products’ labels incorrectly identified the products as chicken, but may contain beef. Additionally, the products contain soy, a known allergen, which is not declared on the product label. The problem was discovered when one of the company’s foodservice distributors was notified that a customer had received a case of product with mislabeled jars. The jar received was a beef base labeled as chicken base.

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.

The products subject to recall bear establishment number “EST. 2016” or “EST. P-1278” inside the USDA mark of inspection. These items were shipped to food service distributors nationwide.

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. Consumers with questions about the recall can contact Scott Freitag, Vice President of Quality Systems & Regulatory, at (630) 299-0501. Media with

questions about the recall can contact David Love, Vice President of Supply Chain & Operations, at (630) 299-0502

3. Product Affected: The chicken and beef soup base items were packaged on May 25, 2017. The following products are subject to recall:

- 6-lb. corrugate case “Molly’s Kitchen Soup Base Paste Beef Base Paste - NO MSG Added with a lot code of 72505 239497 or 72505 239498.
- 1-lb. white plastic jars of “Molly’s Kitchen Chicken Base Paste / 301817 / No MSG Added with a lot code of 72505 239497 or 72505 239498

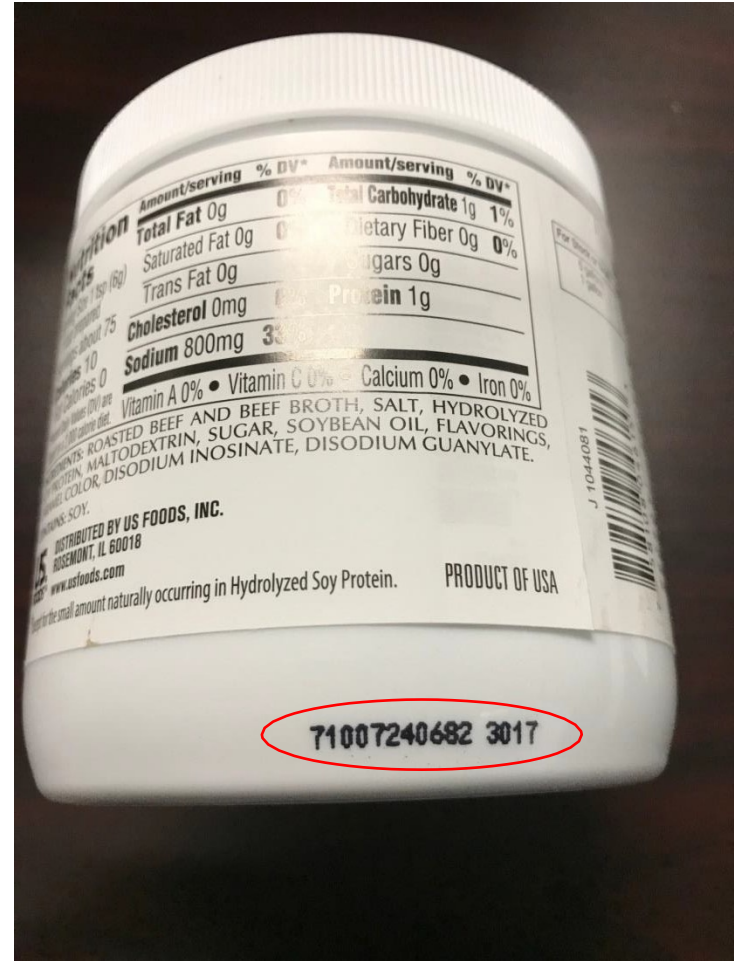
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4. Product Photos: <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/wcm/connect/95bff9e1-7be6-4fef-b44a-0cba083b4e56/081-2017-labels.pdf?MOD=AJPERES>

3017 Case



3017 Jar





Affected product has lot code 72505239497 or 72505239498. The pictures above only demonstrate where the lot codes are found, not the recalled lot numbers.

5. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FINDINGS:

a. Air Force Public Health personnel involved in the installation pilot program, and Army Public Health personnel, report your negative and positive findings [HERE](#). If you are **not** in one of these two groups, please use the instructions below (paragraphs b-d).

NOTE: The Air Force is currently in a pilot program to utilize the VSIMS Subsistence Recalls application for ALFOODACT responses. Additional installations will be phased in over time. If you have been informed of this responsibility by your MAJCOM PHO or AFMSA, please use the link above. If not, please report your findings in accordance with your current policy.

b. Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Contractors, report positive and negative findings to your Accountable Officer.

c. 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/PrepareSF364.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. Homeported ships/galleys will utilize DD form 1149 to transfer with reimbursement to the PV. The PV will submit credit invoice to the account manager at DLA Troop Support.

d. AAFES, MWR, NEX, MCCS, DeCA, DLA, dining facilities, and **all other agencies**, report your findings in accordance with the procedures outlined by your agency.

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 BEGIN receiving recall messages electronically can submit request [HERE](#).

8. To STOP receiving recall messages, submit your request [HERE](#).

9. Previous recalls are available at the following web site:

<http://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT.aspx>.

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