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SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2019-017 – Caito Foods, LLC Voluntarily Recalls Fresh Cut Melon Product Because of Possible Health Risk

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1. REFERENCES:

a. DHA-MSR 6025.01/AR 40-660/ DLAR 6025.01/NAVSUPINST 10110.8D/AFI 48-161_IP/MCO 10110.38D, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System, 6 September 2018.

2. Background: Caito Foods is voluntarily recalling fresh cut watermelon, fresh cut honeydew melon, fresh cut cantaloupe and fresh cut mixed fruit containing one of these melons, produced at the Caito Foods facility in Indianapolis because these products have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella* Carrau, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Reports of illnesses linked to these products are under investigation, and Caito Foods is voluntarily recalling the products out of an abundance of caution. The company has been advised by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that it has linked 93 illnesses to the strain of *Salmonella* under investigation. Caito Foods has temporarily suspended producing and distributing these products as the company and FDA continue their investigations.

The products were distributed in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Caito Food and SpartanNash Company supply to independent retailers, so it is important to look at the label description and brand information to identify the product.

Because it is possible that products could still be on store shelves, this recall extends to both retailers and consumers. Consumers should not consume the product and should promptly dispose of any remaining product.

The potential that these products are contaminated with *Salmonella* was discovered through information gathered by state departments of public health.

Retailers and wholesale customers should check their inventories and shelves to confirm that none of the products are present or available for purchase by consumers or in warehouse inventories and can contact the company via the below contact information to arrange for disposal or return of the product.

This recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

3. Product affected: Products were packaged in clear, plastic clamshell containers.

Customer	Description	UPC	Pack Weight	Label Description/Brand	Plant Identifier Code	States Affected	Best By/Use By:
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE SPEARS	81851301294	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	HONEYDEW SPEARS	81851301300	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	MELON MIX	81851301331	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX	81851301348	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	HONEYDEW CHUNKS	81851301362	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNKS	81851301379	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNKS	81851301386	9.5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT BURST	81851301409	20 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX	81851301416	48 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX	81851301447	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT SNACK TRAY	81851301454	32 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT PARTY PLATTER	81851301461	64 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	MELON MIX SPEARS	81851301478	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior

Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT BOWL	81851301485	64 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Customer	Description	UPC	Pack Weight	Label Description/Brand	Plant Identifier Code	States Affected	Best By/Use By:
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON SPEAR	81851301591	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNKS	81851301614	80 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	HONEYDEW CHUNKS	81851301621	80 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX	81851302079	80 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNKS	81851302147	80 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT BURST	81851302215	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNKS	81851217441	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX CHUNK	81851222308	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	81851222360	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT SALAD SEASONAL	81851223411	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT SALAD SEASONAL	81851223442	20 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT SALAD SEASONAL	81851223466	32 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT SPEAR ASSORTED	81851272662	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNK	81851272716	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNK	81851272723	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT BURST	81851272778	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior

Caito Foods Distribution	FRUIT MIX	81851272785	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Customer	Description	UPC	Pack Weight	Label Description/Brand	Plant Identifier Code	States Affected	Best By/Use By:
Caito Foods Distribution	MELON MIX	81851272815	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	MIXED FRUIT CHUNK	81851272822	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	SEASONAL FRUIT SALAD	81851272914	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	SEASONAL FRUIT SALAD	81851272921	32 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON SPEAR	81851273010	16 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	81851273041	18 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	81851273058	6 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	81851273065	9.5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON TRAY	81851302239	80 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/19/2019 and any date prior
Caito Foods Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	826766260317	18 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IL, IN, KY, MI, MO, NY, OH, PA, NC	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Gordon Food Service	WATERMELON CHUNKS	826766009800	5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IN, MI, PA, WI, KY, OH	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Gordon Food Service	CANTALOUPE CHUNKS	826766009817	5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IN, MI, PA, WI, KY, OH	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Gordon Food Service	FRUIT MIX	826766257676	4.5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IN, MI, PA, WI, KY, OH	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Gordon Food Service	WATERMELON CHUNK	826766260041	10 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IN, MI, PA, WI, KY, OH	4/18/2019 and any date prior
Gordon Food Service	MELON MIX	826766009886	5 oz.	Clear Generic Label Distributed by Caito Foods	SN01	IN, MI, PA, WI, KY, OH	4/18/2019 and any date prior

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SpartanNash Distribution	CANTALOUPE SPEAR	884853630856	16 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT BURST	884853630887	10 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	MELON MIX	884853630894	10 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT MIX	884853630900	10 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	HONEYDEW CHUNK	884853630924	10 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	CANTALOUPE CHUNK	884853630931	10 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	WATERMELON CHUNK	884853630948	9.5 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT BURST	884853630955	20 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT MIX	884853630962	48 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	MELON MIX	884853630986	16 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT MIX	884853630993	16 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT TRAY	884853631006	32 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT PARTY PLATTER	884853631013	64 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	WATERMELON SPEAR	884853631068	16 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	WATERMELON SPEAR	884853630672	28 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior
SpartanNash Distribution	FRUIT BOWL	884853631235	64 oz.	Open Acres	SN01	MI, IN, IL	4/18/2019 and any date prior

PLEASE PLACE THE PRODUCT ON MEDICAL HOLD AND CONTACT YOUR SUPPLIER FOR DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS

4. Product Labels/Pictures: None provided.

5. Contact Information: Consumers seeking information can contact the company at 844-467-7278, Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT and Saturday and Sunday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. CT with questions regarding the recall.

6. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FINDINGS:

a. Army and Air Force Public Health personnel, report your negative and positive findings in the Veterinary Service Information Management System (VSIMS) Subsistence Recalls application. If you are not in one of these two groups, please use the instructions below (paragraphs b-d).

b. Navy:

SHIPS AT SEA: Must report positive and negative findings to supporting Veterinary Service unit. Are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products utilizing the procedures and reporting requirements outlined in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 5302 and 6000(4), to include completion of a DD Form 200 and Standard Form 364. Procedures for completing the DD Form 200 are found in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 6001. Procedures for completing Standard Form 364 are found in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 5300(2)(c).

SHIPS IN PORT/HOMEPORTED/ASHORE GALLEYS: Supporting Veterinary Service unit will conduct inspection and report positive and negative findings in VSIMS Subsistence Recalls application. Contact the appropriate DLA Account Manager via Regional NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center (NAVSUP FLC) to arrange pickup of recall items. Contact your supporting (NAVSUP FLC) for any issues regarding PV Pickup. Proceed with the same guidance as above.

c. Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Contractors, report positive and negative findings to your Contracting Officer, Contracting Specialist, TVLS and dscpconssafofc@dla.mill within 72 hours:

Positive Response Information required: (Vendor must provide all of the following information):

- 1) ALFOODACT 201X-XXX
- 2) DLA Contract Number:
- 3) Unit of Measure:
- 4) Quantity Currently in Stock:
- 5) List of customers that received product AND (a-h) for each customer
 - a. Customer name and location:
 - b. DLA Purchase Order Number:
 - c. Vendor Invoice Number:
 - d. Item Stock number (LSN, NSN):
 - e. Quantity Shipped:
 - f. Date Shipped:
 - g. Value of Affected Product:
 - h. Amount of credit due:

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.

7. The Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is CW3 Garcia, Eugene, Consumer Safety Officer at DLA-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-4847, Commercial (215) 737-4847 or email: dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.

8. Individuals or groups that would like to BEGIN receiving recall messages electronically can submit request usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@mail.mil. Copy and paste email address in to your email platform and ensure you title the subject accordingly.

9. To STOP receiving recall messages, submit your request usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@mail.mil. Copy and paste email address in to your email platform and ensure you title the subject accordingly.

10. Previous recalls are available at the following web site:
<https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT/>.

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