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SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2020-004 – Vita Food Products Issues Voluntary Recall of Mislabeled Vita Wild Herring Wine Sauce Containing Undeclared Milk

Date Issued: 6 March 2020

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.

BACKGROUND: Vita Food Products, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois is notifying the public that it is recalling up to 8,376 individual plastic jars of 32 ounce Vita Wild Herring in Wine Sauce that are potentially mislabeled because they may contain sour cream and, therefore, may contain undeclared milk. People who have an allergy or severe sensitivity to milk run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume this product. There have been no illnesses reported to date in connection with this product.

The product was sent to retailers nationally beginning on January 13, 2020. Products from this single lot can be identified by the Best if used before date of **JUN 26 20** and lot number **03609**, which can be found on the backside of the jar at the bottom of the label.

The front of the recalled products contain a label that states "Vita Wild Herring in Wine Sauce." Mislabeled products that are subject to recall will be obvious to consumers because the recalled product's white sour cream sauce can be seen through the clear plastic jar even though the label may state "Vita Wild Herring in Wine Sauce".

Any consumer who purchased the product that is allergic to milk or has a sensitivity to milk should not consume the recalled product.

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

2. PRODUCT AFFECTED:

ltem	Size	Lot Code	UPC	Best-if-used Before
Wild Herring in Wine Sauce	32 oz.	03609	22635 40011	JUN 26 20

** Discontinue use/sale of product and place on medical hold. Contact supplier for disposition instructions.

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3. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:



4. CONTACT INFORMATION: Consumers may ask any questions or if you purchased the product, request a refund by contacting Vita's Customer Service at (800) 989-8482 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm (Central). If you are experiencing any unusual or severe symptoms such as those described above, go to an emergency room immediately or contact your physician for immediate advice.

5. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FINDINGS:

a. Army Veterinary 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.

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c. Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Contractors: Report positive and negative findings to your Contracting Officer, Contracting Specialist, TVLS and <u>dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</u> within 72 hours:

Positive Response Information required: (Vendor must provide all 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 <u>all other agencies</u>, report your findings in accordance with the procedures outlined by your agency.

6. Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is the undersigned.

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

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

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