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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: P&G Issues Voluntary Recall of Specific Old Spice and Secret Aerosol Spray Antiperspirants and Old Spice Below Deck Aerosol Spray Products Due to Detection of Benzene

1. **REFERENCE.** 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. **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT.** The Procter & Gamble Company (NYSE: PG) is voluntarily recalling all lots with expiry through September 2023 of specific Old Spice and Secret aerosol spray antiperspirants and Old Spice Below Deck aerosol spray products sold in the United States, and listed in the table below, to the consumer level due to the presence of benzene detected.

Risk Statement: Benzene is classified as a human carcinogen. Exposure to benzene can occur by inhalation, orally, and through the skin and it can result in cancers including leukemia and blood cancer of the bone marrow and blood disorders which can be life-threatening. Based on exposure modeling and the cancer risk assessments published by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (IRIS database), daily exposure to benzene in the recalled products at the levels detected in our testing would not be expected to cause adverse health consequences. Benzene is ubiquitous in the environment. Humans around the world have daily exposures to it indoors and outdoors from multiple sources. To date, The Procter & Gamble Company has not received any reports of adverse events related to this recall and is conducting this recall out of an abundance of caution.

The recalled products were distributed nationwide in the United States through retail outlets and online. All other Old Spice and Secret products are not impacted by this issue and may continue to be used as intended. This represents the vast majority of our products, including body spray products, solid sticks, soft solids and gel antiperspirants and deodorant products.

The Procter & Gamble Company has notified its retailers to remove products from shelves. Old Spice and Secret will also offer reimbursement for consumers who have purchased products impacted by this recall. Consumers should stop using and appropriately discard the affected aerosol spray products.

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

3. PRODUCTS AFFECTED: The affected products are used as antiperspirants and hygiene products and are packaged in aerosol cans. See table below for Product names and UPC codes and images for further descriptions. We are recalling all lots with expiry through September 2023 of the below products:

UPC	Description
012044001912	Old Spice High Endurance AP Spray Pure Sport 12/6oz
012044044759	Old Spice Hardest Working Collection Inv Spray Stronger Swagger 3.8oz
037000729747	Old Spice Hardest Working Collection Inv Spray Pure Sport Plus 12/3.8oz
037000730347	Old Spice Hardest Working Collection Inv Spray Stronger Swagger 12/3.8oz
037000749479	Old Spice Hardest Working Collection Inv Spray Ult Captain 12/3.8oz
037000695714	Old Spice Below Deck Powder Spray Unscented 12/4.9oz
037000695707	Old Spice Below Deck Powder Spray Fresh Air 12/4.9oz
037000586906	Secret Aerosol Powder Fresh Twin Pack
037000711087	Secret Aerosol Powder Fresh 12/6OZ
037000711094	Secret Aerosol Powder Fresh 12/4OZ
037000723721	Secret Fresh Collection Inv Spray Waterlily 3.8oz
037000729860	Secret Fresh Collection Inv Spray Lavender 12/3.8oz
037000729914	Secret Fresh Collection Inv Spray Water Lily 12/3.8oz
037000729921	Secret Fresh Collection Inv Spray Light Essentials 12/3.8oz
037000798842	Secret Fresh Collection Inv Spray Rose 12/3.8oz
037000747642	Secret Outlast Inv Spray Completely Clean 12/3.8oz
037000747727	Secret Outlast Inv Spray Protecting Powder 12/3.8oz
012044048535	Old Spice Pure Sport 2021 Gift Set

***Immediately discontinue use/sale of products and place on medical hold. Contact your supplier for disposition instructions.*

4. **PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:** None provided by the company.

5. **CONTACT INFORMATION.** Consumers with questions regarding this recall can seek more information via the Consumer Care team at 888-339-7689 from Monday – Friday from 9:00am – 6:00pm EST. Consumers can also visit www.olds spice.com or www.secret.com for more information about the impacted products and to learn how to receive reimbursement for eligible products. Consumers should contact their physician or healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to using these products.

Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail or by fax.

- Complete and submit the report [Online](#)
- Regular Mail or Fax: [Download form](#) or call 1- 800-332-1088 to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form, or submit by fax to 1-800-FDA-0178

6. **POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FINDINGS.**

a. **Army Veterinary Services and Air Force Public Health Personnel:** Report 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:**

1) 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).

2) 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.mil within 72-hours.

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

- 1) ALFOODACT 2021-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. If you know of others who need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click [here](#) to [Subscribe](#). If you no longer need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click [here](#) to [Unsubscribe](#).

8. Previous recalls are available on the DLA-TS Food Safety Office website, click [here](#).

9. Point of contact for ALFOODACT messages is the undersigned at commercial telephone 215-737-2678/DSN: 312-444-2678, or dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.

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