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ALFOODACT 2022-047

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: SunSprout Enterprises Voluntarily Recalls Two Lots of Alfalfa Sprouts Due to Potential Contamination with Salmonella

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:** SunSprout Enterprises is voluntarily recalling two lots (#4211 and 5211) of raw alfalfa sprouts in 4-ounce clamshells, with best by dates between 12/10/22 and 12/27/22, due to potential contamination with Salmonella.

Salmonella is 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.

To date, SunSprout has received no complaints or reports of illness due to this recalled product. This voluntary recall is a result of a preliminary investigation by the State of Nebraska in connection with CDC of an outbreak of illness likely associated with alfalfa sprouts. SunSprout, out of an abundance of caution, is initiating this voluntary recall while it further investigates how this alfalfa product was handled and stored after it left its Nebraska facility.

Customers with product from this lot number in their possession should stop using it and dispose of it immediately. Consumers are also encouraged to follow all safe handling instructions and wash their hands and all preparation surfaces after handling any raw product.

This recall is being conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Photographs of the product label are below for ease of confirmation.

3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** The raw alfalfa sprouts are packaged in 4-ounce clamshells with best buy dates between 12/10/2022 and 12/27/2022 and lot codes #4211 and 5211. The lot code

and best buy date can be found on the front of the package. The alfalfa sprouts are available in the produce section of grocery stores. The company directly distributed 808 pounds of product to five foodservice and grocery customers in Nebraska, Kansas, and Iowa between late November and early December 2022. No other SunSprout lot codes or products are impacted by this voluntary recall.

Best Buy Dates	Lot Code	Container Size	UPC
between 12/10/2022 and 12/27/2022	4211 5211	4 oz	8 15098 00108 8

4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:



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

5. **CONTACT INFORMATION.** If consumers have any questions, they can contact SunSprout by email at Admin@sunsprouts.com anytime; responses will be provided Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. CST.

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)

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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 in the paragraph 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.

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 [Subscribe](#). If you no longer need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click [Unsubscribe](#).

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8. Previous recalls are available on the DLA-TS Food Safety Office website:
<https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT/>.

9. Point of contact for ALFOODACT messages is the undersigned at commercial telephone 215-737-7788/DSN: 312-444-7788, or dscpconssafofc@dlamilitary.com.

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