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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Lancaster Foods Announces Voluntary Recall of Various Expired Kale, Spinach and Collard Green Products Due to Potential Health Risk

- 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:** Lancaster Foods is voluntarily recalling a limited quantity of 3 brands of already-expired Robinson Fresh, Lancaster, and Giant brand Kale, Spinach and Collard Green products produced at the company's Jessup, Maryland facility. This recall is due to a possible health risk from Listeria monocytogenes. No related illnesses have been reported to date. The recalled products are beyond their "Best If Used By Date".

Listeria monocytogenes can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women. Consumers with these symptoms should immediately consult their health care provider.

The recall was initiated after notification that a random sample of a single bag of Chopped Kale Greens product with a "BEST IF USED BY May 1, 2023" date collected by the New York Agriculture and Markets Food Safety Division tested positive for the *Listeria* pathogen.

A listing of products subject to this recall are summarized at the end of this announcement. Products can be identified by using the UPC or Item Number codes and the Best if Used by Dates outlined in the table below. These products were distributed through retailers and distributors in the states of Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. Retailers and distributors have been instructed to ensure the recalled products are removed from all inventories. Consumers who might still have the recalled products in their refrigerators should discard the items and they should not be consumed.

No other products distributed by Lancaster Foods have been recalled. Lancaster Foods is working collaboratively with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on this recall.

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The safety and integrity of products distributed by Lancaster Foods are a top priority and taken very seriously. Lancaster Foods regrets any inconvenience and concern this recall may cause.

3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** The specific recalled product information is listed below:

Item Number	Brand	Pack/Size	UPC Codes	Description	Best If Used By Date
00682	ROBINSON FRESH	8/16 OZ	0-95829- 60015-9	KALE GREENS	May 01 2023
00619	ROBINSON FRESH	6/32 OZ	0-95829- 60016-6	KALE GREENS	May 01 2023
55423	LANCASTER	20/4 OZ	N/A	CHOPPED KALE	May 01 2023
78983	GIANT	12/8 OZ	6-88267- 09813-0	CURLY LEAF SPINACH	April 29 2023
00684	ROBINSON FRESH	8/16 OZ	0-95829- 60006-7	COLLARD GREENS	May 01 2023
01907	GIANT	8/16 OZ	6-88267- 05311-5	COLLARD GREENS	May 01 2023

4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:





5. **CONTACT INFORMATION:** Customers who have any questions about the recall may contact Lancaster Foods Customer Service at 877-844-3441 Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM EDT.

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

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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 <u>Subscribe</u>. If you no longer need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click <u>Unsubscribe</u>.
- 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 215-737-0329/DSN: 312-444-0329, or dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.

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