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ALFOODACT 2023-027

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Urgent Food Recall of Van's Gluten Free Original Waffles Due to Potential Presence of Undeclared Wheat Allergen

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:** Van's International Foods ("Van's" or "the Company") is voluntarily recalling certain packages of Van's Gluten Free Original Waffles, because they may contain undeclared wheat. People who have an allergy or severe sensitivity to wheat run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products.

This recall ONLY affects the limited number of Van's Gluten Free Original Waffles in the lot code indicated. No other Van's products are included in this recall.

To date, no allergic reactions or illnesses associated with consumption of the affected product have been reported. This recall has been initiated in an abundance of caution due to potential presence of wheat in certain products labeled as gluten-free. The recalled products should not be consumed.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that wheat-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of wheat. Subsequent investigation indicates that the problem was caused by the inclusion of a limited number of cartons for Van's Gluten Free Original Waffles with a pallet of cartons intended for wheat containing products. Immediate steps were taken to prevent recurrence.

Van's is conducting this recall with full knowledge and cooperation of the Food and Drug Administration.

3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** The affected products are labeled with Lot Code #UW40193L and have an expiration date of 1/19/2024. To identify the Lot Code and expiration date, please refer to the side of the carton. Consumers who believe they have purchased recalled lot code product are urged to confirm the lot code with place of purchase.

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4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:



5. **CONTACT INFORMATION:** Anyone who has a recalled product in their possession should dispose of it immediately or return it to the place of purchase for a refund. Consumers may contact Van's Consumer Affairs at 1-800-323-7117 or visit its website at [www.vansfoods.com/about-vans/contact-us](http://www.vansfoods.com/about-vans/contact-us).

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 in the paragraph above.

c. **Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Contractors:** Report positive and negative findings to your Contracting Officer, Contracting Specialist, TVLS, and [dscpcnssafofc@dla.mil](mailto:dscpcnssafofc@dla.mil) within 72-hours. Positive Response Information required: (Vendor must provide all the following information):

- 1) ALFOODACT 202X-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 215-737-0329/DSN: 312-444-0329, or [dscpconssafofc@dlamilitary.com](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dlamilitary.com).

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