

# DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY TROOP SUPPORT 700 ROBBINS AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19111-5092

DSCP-FTW ALFOODACT 2023-042 October 25, 2023

#### MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Gills Onions Voluntarily Recalls Select Lots of Fresh Diced Onion Products Because of Possible 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:** Gills Onions of Oxnard, CA (**VC 06-0532, 1051 S Pacific Avenue, Oxnard, California 93030-7254**) is voluntarily recalling Gills Onions branded fresh diced onions products because they have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella, an organism that 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. Symptoms usually occur within 12 to 72 hours after eating contaminated food and usually last four to seven days.

Consumers: The recalled products, which were sent to Arizona, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington, are identified in the table below. These recalled products are well beyond their August 2023 use-by-dates and are no longer available for sale in stores. Please check for product description in table below. We recognize that the recalled onions or foods with those onions as an ingredient could be in consumers' freezers. Anyone who has an expired, recalled product in their possession should not consume it and should destroy or discard it.

Gills Onions has notified its customers who received the recalled product directly from the company and requested that they remove it from commerce. We also asked direct customers to notify their customers of this recall.

3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** The UPC code alone does NOT identify the product. The UPC, brand, and expiration date, together, identify the recalled product.

Product Description	UPC*	Use-by date	Lot codes located on the side of the cups or back of the bags	State	Retail outlet
Gills Onions Brand	643550000320	8/18/23	223YAS2B2R212	California	Smart & Final
3 lb. bags, diced yellow onions		8/25/23	223YAS3A2R219		
		8/11/23	223YAC2A2R205	Arizona and California California Oregon Washington	Bashas Markets and Smart & Final
		8/14/23	223YAS3A2R208		Smart & Final
		8/28/23	223YAS2A2R222		
		8/11/23	223YAC2A2R205		Smart & Final and CHEF'STORE
		8/14/23	223YAS3A2R208	Idaho Montana	
		8/18/23	223YAS2A2R212		
		8/21/23	223YAS3A2R215		
		8/25/23	223YAM3A2R219		
		8/28/23	223YAS2A2R222		
Gills Onions Brand	643550000658	8/15/23	223YAS3A1Z209	Arizona and California	Bashas Markets, Smart & Final,
8 oz cups, diced		8/19/23	223YAM4A1Z213	Jamorria	and

yellow onions		8/21/23	223YAS3A1Z215		Stater Bros.
		8/26/23	223YAS3A1Z220		
		8/28/23	223YAM4A1Z222		
		8/12/23	223YAC2A1Z206	California	Stater Bros
		8/14/23	223YAS3A1Z208	California	Smart & Final and Stater Bros
Gills Onions Brand 8 oz cups,	643550000696	8/15/23	223YAS3A1Z209	Arizona and California	Bashas Markets, Smart & Final, and Stater Bros
diced celery & onions		8/21/23	223YAS3A1Z215		
ornone .		8/28/23	223YAS3A1Z222		
		8/28/23	223YAM4A1Z222	California	Smart & Final
Gills Onions Brand	643550000788	8/8/23	223YAC2A1Z206	California	Smart & Final
10 oz cups, diced mirepoix		8/11/23	223YAS3A1Z209		
		8/15/23	223YAM4A1Z213		
		8/17/23	223YAS3A1Z215		
		8/22/23	223YAS3A1Z220		
		8/24/23	223YAM4A1Z222		

Gills Onions Brand	cups, d red	8/12/23	123RAC1A1Z206	California	Stater Bros Smart & Final
8 oz cups, diced red onions		8/28/23	223RAB1A1Z222		
	8/19/23	123RAB1A1Z213	California	Stater Bros	
		8/15/23	123RAB1A1Z209	California	Smart & Final
	8/14/23	123RAB1A1Z208	Arizona and California	Bashas Markets, Smart & Final,	
		8/21/23	123RAB1A1Z215		and Stater Bros
		8/26/23	223RAB1A1Z220		

Keany Produce & Gourmet; VC 24-0071, 3310 75th Avenue, Landover, Maryland 20785-1501:

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
ONION, DICED 1/4" BAG, 5 LBS
SALSA MIX TUB, 5 LBS
ONION, DICED 1/2" 2-5 LBS
ONION, JULIENNE 2-5 LBS
ONION, RED DICED 1/4" 2-5 LBS
ONION, DICED 3/8" 2-5 LBS
ONION, DICED 1/4" 4-5 LBS
ONION, SLICED 1/4" 2-5 LBS
ONION, DICED 3/8" 4-5 LBS
ONION, SWEET DICED 1/4" BAG, 5 LBS
ONION, DICED, WHITE 1/4" BAG, 5 LBS
ONION, DICED 1/2" LARGE 4-5 LBS
ONION, DICED 1/4" 4-5 LBS
ONION, RED DICED 1/4" BAG, 5 LBS
SALSA MIX, PICO TUB, 5 LBS
SALSA MIX, MANGO PICO TUB, 5 LBS
ONION, SWEET DICED 1/2" BAG, 5 LBS
MIREPOIX, DICED 1/2" 4/5 LB
MIREPOIX, DICED 1/2" BAG, 5 LBS
ONION, DICED 3/8"-1/2" BAG, 5 LBS

# US Foods & AMERIFRESH:

Item Number	MPC	PACK/SZ	BRAND	DESCRIPTION	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
1331511	6510141006CV	2/5 LB	CROSS VALLEY FARMS	ONION, YELLOWDICE D 1/4"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A1P20 5;223YAM4A1P 212; 223YAM4A1P21 2;223YAM4A1P 222; 223YAS3A1P20 7;223YAS3A1P2 09; 223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3A1P2 15; 223YAS3A1P22 15; 223YAS3A1P22 15; 223YAS3A1P22 0;923Y080B2R22 0;923Y084B2R2 22
2331379	6510122006CV	4/5 LB	CROSS VALLEY FARMS	ONION, YELLOWDICE D 1/2"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223YAS2B1P20 6;223YAS3A1P2 08; 223YAS3A1P20 8;223YAM4A1P 212; 223YAS3A1P21 3;223YAS3A1P21 16; 223YAS3A1P21 9;223YAM4A2R 220; 223YAM4A1P22 1
2367878	6510140506CV	5 LB	CROSS VALLEY FARMS	ONION,YELLO WDICED 1/4"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A1P20 5;223YAC2B2R 205; 223YAS3A1P20 9;223YAM4A1P 212; 223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3B2R 216; 223YAS2B2R22

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2577039	6514142006CV	4/5 LB	CROSS VALLEY FARMS	ONION,YELLO WSLIVERED1/ 4" PILLOWPACK FRESHREF	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A2R20 2;223YAC2A1P 205; 223YAS3A1P20 7;223YAS3A1P2 09; 223YAM4A1P21 2;223YAS3A1P2 15; 223YAS3A1P21 9;223YAM4A1P 220
3332095	6514182006CV	4/5 LB	CROSS VALLEY FARMS	ONION,YELLO WSLIVER 1/8"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A2R20 2;223YAC2A1P 205; 223YAS3A1P20 7;223YAS3A1P2 09; 223YAS3A1P20 9;223YAM4B1P 213; 223YAS3A1P21 5;223YAS3A1P21 19; 223YAM4A1P22 0
3356102	6510382006CV	4/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION,YELLO WDICED 3/8"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 123YBC1A2R20 2;123YBC2A2R 202; 223YAC2A2R20 6;223YAM4B2R 222; 223YAS2A2R22 0;223YAS2A2R2 221; 223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3A2R 207; 223YAS3A2R20 8;223YAS3A2R20 8;223YAS3A2R2 15;223YAS3B1P2 16; 223YAS3B2R21 2;223YAS3B2R21 2;223YAS3B2R21 2;223YAS3B2R21

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					223YAS3B2R21 5;923Y074A2R2 06; 923Y079B2R21 6;923Y078B2R2 12; 923Y084B2R22 2
3861622	6510382006	4/5 LB	PACKER	ONION,YELLO WDICED 3/8"FRESH REF	Lot Codes: 923Y073A2R20 5;223YAS3A1P2 08; 223YAS3A2R20 9;923Y078B2R2 12; 223YAS2B1P21 6;223YAS2A2R 220
4367876	5510140506CV	5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION, REDDICED 1/4"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223RAB1B2R20 5;123RAB1B2R 208; 123RAB1B1P21 4;223RAB1B1P 216; 223RAB1B2R22 0
5331319	6514181006CV	2/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION,YELLO WSLIVER 1/8"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A1P20 5;223YAS3A1P2 07; 223YAM4A1P21 2
5332036	6510381006CV	2/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION,YELLO WDICED 3/8"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 123YBC2A2R20 2;223YAC2A2R 206; 223YAS3A2R20 8;223YAS3A2R 209; 923Y078B2R21 2;223YAS3A2R 215; 223YAS3A1P21 6;223YAM4B2R 222
6227342	6510382006	4/5 LB	PACKER	ONION,YELLO WDICED 3/8"FRESH REF	Lot Codes: 923Y073A2R20 5;223YAS3A1P2 08; 223YAS3A2R20 9;923Y078B2R2 12;

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					223YAS2B1P21 6;223YAS2A2R 220
8331258	5510141006CV	2/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION, REDDICED 1/4"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 123RAB1B1P21 4;123RAB1B2R 208; 123RAC1B1P21 2;223RAB1B1P 216; 223RAB1B2R20 5;223RAB1B2R 219; 223RAB1B2R22 0
8331399	6510142006CV	4/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION,YELLO WDICED 1/4"FRESH REFPILLOW PACK	Lot Codes: 223YAC2B2R20 2;223YAC2B2R 205; 223YAC2B2R20 6;223YAM4A1P 212; 223YAM4B2R21 9;223YAM4B2R 222; 223YAS1B2R21 6;223YAS2B1P2 08; 223YAS2B2R22 0;223YAS2B2R 221; 223YAS3A1P20 7;223YAS3A1P2 09; 223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3A1P21 4;223YAS3B2R 209; 223YAS3B1P2 15; 223YAS3B1P2 15; 223YAS3B2R21 4;223YAS3B2R2 212; 223YAS3B2R21 6;223YAS3B2R21
8527715	6510121006CV	2/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA	ONION,YELLO WDICED	Lot Codes: 223YAC2A2R20
			RMS	1/2"FRESH REF	2;223YAC2A1P 205;

					223YAS3A1P20 8;223YAS3A1P2 09; 223YAS3A1P21 3;223YAS3A1P2 15; 223YAS3A1P21 6;223YAM4A2R 220; 223YAM4A1P22 2
8678757	5510381006CV	2/5 LB	CROSSV ALLEYFA RMS	ONION, REDDICED 3/8"PILLOW PACKFRESH REF	Lot Codes: 223RAB1B2R20 5;123RAB1B2R 208; 123RAB1B1P21 2;123RAB1B1P 212; 223RAE1B2R21 6;223RAE1B2R 216; 223RAB1B1P22 1;223RAB1B2R 219

# 4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:





5. **CONTACT INFORMATION:** Consumers who have purchased the recalled product and have questions may contact Gills Onions at 1-800-348-2255 or visit our website at <a href="https://www.gillsonions.com">www.gillsonions.com</a> for a copy of this press release and photos of the recalled products.

#### 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 <u>dscpconssafofc@dla.mil</u> 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 <u>Subscribe</u> (Add the following to an email if the link does not work; Subject: Subscribe to Subsistence Recall Notifications, Email address: <u>usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@health.mil</u>). If you no longer need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click <u>Unsubscribe</u> (Add the following to an email if the link does not work; Subject: Unsubscribe from Subsistence Recall Notifications, Email address: <u>usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@health.mil</u>).
- 8. Previous recalls are available on the DLA-TS Food Safety Office website: <a href="https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT/">https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT/</a>.
- 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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