

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

DSCP-FTW ALFOODACT 2024-014 February 28, 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Roland Foods, LLC Recalls Roland® Tahini (100% Ground Sesame Seeds) 16 Oz. 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:** Roland Foods, LLC ("Roland Foods") of New York, New York is recalling a specific production code of Roland® Tahini (100% Ground Sesame Seeds) 16 oz. because it has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella, 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.

Roland® Tahini (100% Ground Sesame Seeds) 16 oz. was distributed to many states through retail stores and foodservice outlets. The product was distributed by Roland Foods from September 2023 through January 2024.

To date, Roland Foods has received no reports of illness related to the recalled product.

The recall was as the result of a routine sampling program by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, which revealed that the product tested positive for Salmonella. The company has ceased distribution of the product and has initiated an investigation in partnership with the manufacturer as to the root cause of the problem.

3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** This recall ONLY APPLIES to Roland® Tahini (100% Ground Sesame Seeds) 16 oz., Batch Number P024581, Production Code X0419, UPC Number 10041224701509, with a Best By Date of October 19, 2024. The product can be identified by the UPC, found under the barcode on the back of the product, or by the Production Code and Best Buy Date printed in black ink on the label near the top of the bottle.

4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:







5. **CONTACT INFORMATION:** Consumers who have purchased Roland® Tahini (100% Ground Sesame Seeds) 16 oz. are urged to discard any affected product. Consumers with questions may contact the company's Recall Hotline at 800-622-1823. The Recall Hotline will be monitored from 9:00 a.m. EST – 5:00 p.m. EST.

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 dscpconssafofc@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 <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: 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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