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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Gerber Products Company Announces Recall and Discontinuation of All Batches of Gerber® Soothe N Chew® Teething Sticks Due To Choking Hazard

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:** Gerber Products Company is initiating a recall and discontinuation of all batches of GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS due to a potential choking hazard for babies and young children.

GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS were distributed nationwide via the internet and to distribution centers and retail stores in the following states and territories: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI and Puerto Rico.

This recall and discontinuation is isolated to GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS – STRAWBERRY APPLE and GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS – BANANA.

The recall was initiated after receiving consumer complaints of choking incidents. To date, one emergency room visit has been reported to the firm.

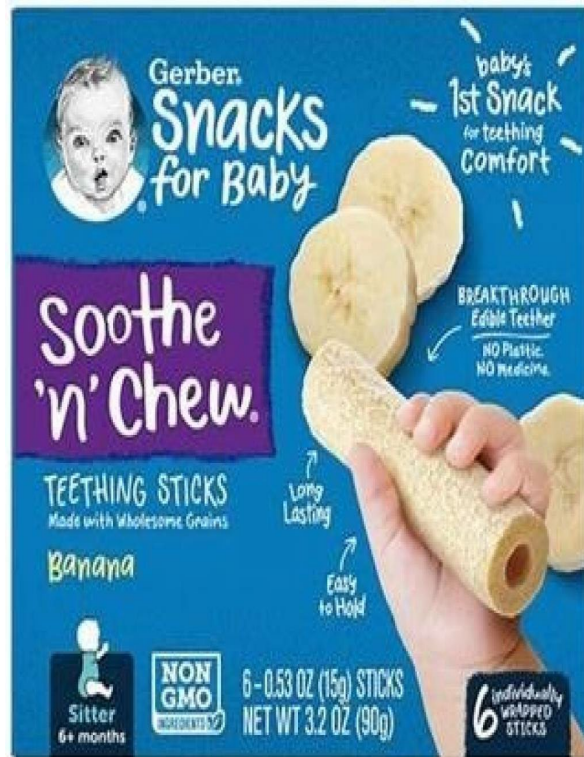
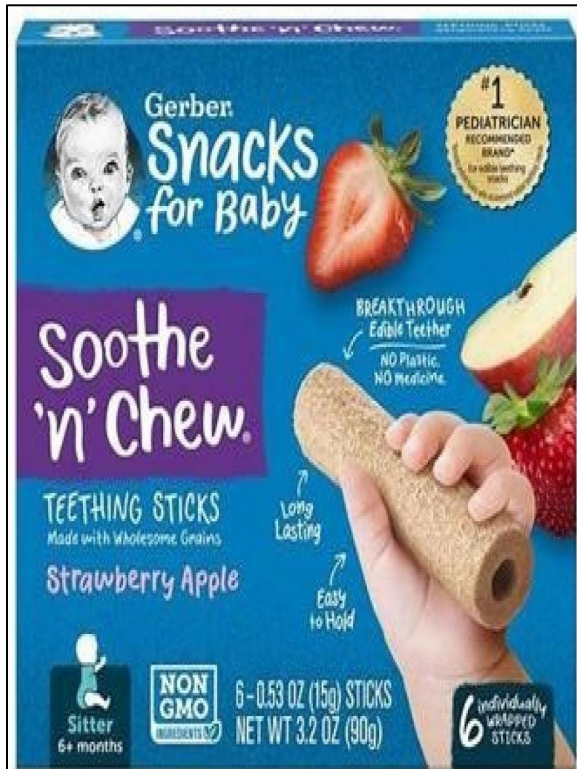
3. **PRODUCTS AFFECTED:** Recalled products can be identified as follows:

Item Description	Packing Size	UPC Code	Lot Code
GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS – STRAWBERRY APPLE	Net Wt. 3.2 Oz (90g)	0 15000 04618 7	all lot codes

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GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS – BANANA	Net Wt. 3.2 Oz (90g)	0 15000 04608 8	all lot codes
GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS – BANANA	Net Wt. 1.59 Oz (45g)	0 15000 01015 7	all lot codes

4. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:





5. CONTACT INFORMATION: Consumers who may have purchased GERBER® SOOTHE N CHEW® TEETHING STICKS should not feed this product to their child and can return the product to the retailer where it was purchased for a refund. Anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a health care provider. For any additional support needed, Gerber is available 24/7 at 1-800-4-GERBER (1-800-443-7237).

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 and follow recall disposition in accordance with the procedures outlined by your agency.

7. If you know of others who need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click [Subscribe](#) (Add the following to an email if the link does not work; Subject: Subscribe to Subsistence Recall Notifications, Email address: usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@health.mil). If you no longer need to receive Subsistence Recall messages, click [Unsubscribe](#) (Add the following to an email if the link does not work; Subject: Unsubscribe from Subsistence Recall Notifications, Email address: usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@health.mil).

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 267-892-4725, or dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.

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