
* MONOGRAPH NO: MCW/LRP 43

**ITEM: Beverage Base, Powder, Iced Tea,
Lemon flavored, ind serving, 18 per box**

(BBT) (PRIMARY)

NSN: 8955-01-473-9290

ITEM SPECIFICATION: COMMERCIAL

CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM:

**APPEARANCE: Dehydrated; homogeneous mixture of cocoa brown, fine, free flowing powder.
Rehydrated; cloudy, reddish brown liquid**

ODOR: Sweet, mild tea aroma.

FLAVOR: Tea/lemon, sweet-tart.

TEXTURE: Free flowing, fine powder; lumps that occur can be broken apart by light, finger pressure.

**ESTIMATED SHELF-LIFE AT: 80 DEGREES F: 36 months
100 DEGREES F: 6 months**

POSSIBLE DETERIORATIVE CHANGES:

APPEARANCE: Dehydrated; lumpy or caked, not free flowing. Rehydrated; coagulated, excessive sediment significantly affecting aesthetic appearance or flavor:

ODOR: Bunt or scorched.

FLAVOR: Oxidized or any other flavor not typical of the type of beverage.

TEXTURE: Lumpy, not free flowing

UNIQUE EXAMINATION/TEST PROCEDURES: Prepare beverage in accordance with package instructions: Product should dissolve completely within approximately two minutes.

SPECIAL NOTES: In rehydrated product, if slight sedimentation is observed but the odor and flavor are normal, do not score the sedimentation as a defect during surveillance inspection; make note of it in the narrative for future use. Coagulation may occur if the product has had

temperature abuse. Coagulation results in clumps of granules that do not readily dissolve when product is reconstituted and tend to float in suspension.