



DATE: November 24, 2010

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: Artisan Confections Company Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: **Unclassified Recall; *Dagoba Organic Chocolate new moon* Rich Dark Chocolate 74% cacao 0.32 ounce squares because they may contain *Salmonella*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.**

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled may be distributed in the State of Indiana. The recall involves 33 cases of 0.32 oz squares that were sold nationwide online and through natural/specialty food retail outlets after October 27, 2010. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

Artisan Confections Recalls *Dagoba new moon*™ Rich Dark Chocolate 74% Cacao 0.32-Ounce Squares Due to Possible Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -ASHLAND, ORE., November 23, 2010- Artisan Confections Company is voluntarily recalling a limited quantity of its *Dagoba Organic Chocolate new moon Rich Dark Chocolate 74% cacao 0.32 ounce squares* because they may contain *Salmonella*. No other sizes or *Dagoba* items are involved in this recall.

The recall involves 33 cases of 0.32 oz squares that were sold nationwide online and through natural/specialty food retail outlets after October 27, 2010. The only affected products were sold from display boxes labeled with the code 37HLB11, UPC 10474-55509. There have been no consumer complaints or reports of illness associated with this product.

Food contaminated with *Salmonella* may not look or smell spoiled. Consumption of a food contaminated with *Salmonella* may cause symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, vomiting, nausea, abdominal pain, and diarrhea. Long-term complications may include severe arthritis. These symptoms could be serious and life-threatening in young children, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems.

The item was produced at a third-party manufacturer. The recall was initiated after quality checks indicated the presence of salmonella in a single sample.

Consumers who have purchased the item in question should contact Artisan Confections Consumer Relations at 866-608-6944. (9 a.m to 4 p.m. EST)

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Photos: Product Labels⁹