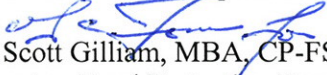




DATE: March 18, 2010

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

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

SUBJECT: C. H. Guenther & Son Inc Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; Products are part of the Sunbird Seasonings, Williams Wings Seasonings and Williams Gumbo Soup lines because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the State of Indiana. The products involved were sold in grocery, warehouse and other retail outlets throughout the United States. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is 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.

C. H. Guenther & Son, Inc. Announces Voluntary Nationwide Recall of several products that contain pepper due to Possible Health Risk

Contact:
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE San Antonio, TX - March 17, 2010 – C. H. Guenther & Son, Inc. today announced a voluntary recall of products containing a pepper ingredient that may have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella. **The products are part of the Sunbird Seasonings, Williams Wings Seasonings and Williams Gumbo Soup lines.**

The recalled products contain black pepper distributed by Mincing Overseas Spice Company. The pepper has been recalled by Mincing because it has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.

Salmonella is 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.

The products involved were sold in grocery, warehouse and other retail outlets throughout the United States.

Brand	Product Name	Size	UPC	Code Dates
Sunbird	Chow Mein Seasoning Mix	1 oz.	0 74880 07002 6	W9316G, W005G
Sunbird	Fried Rice Seasoning Mix	0.75 oz.	0 74880 07003 3	W9317C, W9320G, W9324G, W9327G, W9335G, W0004F, W0018G, W0019G
Sunbird	Stir Fry Seasoning Mix	0.75 oz.	0 74880 07004 0	W9315G, W9316G, W9364E, W9365E, W0014C
Sunbird	Chop Suey Seasoning Mix	1 oz.	0 74880 07008 8	W9309G, W9310G, W0006G
Sunbird	Lemon Chicken Stir Fry Seasoning Mix	0.75 oz.	0 74880 07014 9	W0006G

Sunbird	Hot & Spicy Szechwan Seasoning Mix	0.75 oz.	0 74880 07016 3	W9322G
Sunbird	Honey Sesame Chicken Seasoning Mix	0.875 oz.	0 74880 07021 7	W0007G
Williams	Country Store Home Style Soup Mix Louisiana Style Gumbo	8 oz.	0 41149 12006 8	W9317M
Williams	Spicy Wings Seasoned Coating Mix	5 oz.	0 41149 01182 3	W0004H, W0005H, W0056H
Williams	Spicy Wings Caribbean Jerk Seasoning	2.5 oz.	0 41149 13930 5	W9310F

The code dates are printed on the side of master cases and embossed on the side seals of individual pouches.

No illnesses have been associated with these products but proceed to the FDA web-site (www.fda.gov¹) for updated information.

Consumers with questions or who would like a refund or replacement product should keep the unopened package and contact C. H Guenther at 1-800-847-5608. Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central time.

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