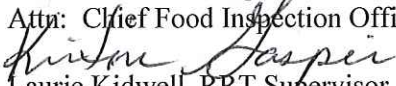


DATE: July 13, 2015

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

FROM: 
Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor
Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: Carnivore Meat Company, LLC - RECALL [Animal Health]

AFFECTED PRODUCT: Carnivore Vital Essentials pet foods – Select Products

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; The products are being recalled because they have the potential to be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes.

The lots involved in this voluntary recall are:

Vital Essentials Frozen Beef Tripe Patties, UPC 33211 00809, Lot # 10930, Best by date 20160210
Vital Essentials Frozen Beef Tripe Nibbles, UPC 33211 00904, Lot # 10719, Best by date 12022015

The "Best By" date code and lot # is located on the back of the package.

The affected product was distributed in the nearby states of Illinois and Ohio.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. GE Healthcare is following up with all customers and will correct all affected systems at no cost to customers. Consumer Questions - Representatives are available from Monday - Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM CST at 920-370-6542. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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.

**Carnivore Meat Company, LLC
Voluntarily Issues a Recall
Two Batches of Raw Pet Treats**

Contact:

Consumer:
(920) 370-6542

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 8, 2015 – Green Bay, Wisconsin – Carnivore Meat Company, LLC is recalling select products and lots of Carnivore Vital Essentials pet foods because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Healthy cats and dogs rarely become sick from *Listeria monocytogenes*. In humans, however, *Listeria* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

If an animal becomes ill with *Listeria*, it will display symptoms similar to the ones listed above for humans. People with concerns about whether their pet has *Listeria* should contact their veterinarian.

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The "Best By" date code and lot # is located on the back of the package. The affected product was distributed in WA, CA, TX, GA, IL, CO, NM, FL, PA, RI, OH and VT.

This voluntary recall has been issued because the FDA has reported an independent lab detected the bacteria in samples during a recent review. The company has received no reports of human illness as a result of these products.

If you are a consumer and have purchased a bag of Vital Essentials Frozen Beef Tripe Patties with the "Best By" date code of 20160210 or a bag of Frozen Beef Tripe Nibbles with a "Best By" date code of 12022015, we ask that you please call 920-370-6542 Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM CST and someone will assist you in obtaining replacement or a full refund from your local retailer for your original purchase.

If your package has been opened, please dispose of the raw food in a safe manner by securing it in a covered trash receptacle.

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Lot# 10930

Frozen Beef

Tripe Patties



Lot# 10719

Frozen Beef

Tripe Nibblets

