



**Indiana State  
Department of Health**  
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*State Health Commissioner*

**DATE:** March 11, 2010

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

**FROM:** <sup>ASG</sup> A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS  
Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** Mrs. Gerry's Kitchen Inc Recall

**SUGGESTED**

**ACTION:** Unclassified Recall; Crab Creole Spread because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*; Information provided in case of consumer inquiry.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the neighboring States of Illinois and Michigan. Products subject to this recall were distributed nationwide in 6/7oz plastic container . In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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**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.

**Mrs. Gerry's Kitchen Press Release**

**Company Contact:**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - March 9, 2010 - ALAMEDA, CA – Mrs. Gerry’s Kitchen, Inc. of Albert Lea, MN has been notified by a supplier that a certain product it supplies to Mrs. Gerry’s contains hydrolyzed vegetable protein (HVP) that may 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 people may experience fever, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea (which may be bloody) and abdominal pain. In rare cases the organism can get into the bloodstream and cause more severe complications including endocarditis, arthritis and arterial infections such as infected aneurysms. For more information, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)<sup>1</sup>. As a precautionary measure, Mrs. Gerry’s is voluntarily recalling a limited number of products.

**No illnesses have been reported in connection with this product.**

**Mrs. Gerry’s is recalling the following item sold to retailers and distributors in these states: MN, IA, SD, ND, NE, KS, CO, WI, MI, IL, MO.**

<b>UPC Use by Date</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Size / Packaging</b>
017839 784445 4/20/10	Crab Creole Spread	6/7oz plastic container

This product should not be eaten. Customers may return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.

Mrs. Gerry’s is notifying the FDA of this voluntary recall. Consumers with questions may contact Mrs. Gerry’s Kitchen, Inc.’s Customer Service Department between the hours of 7:30am – 4pm CST Monday through Friday at 1-800-642-9662 or see the FDA website at <http://www.fda.gov><sup>2</sup>.

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