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DATE:

May 4, 2011

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Six L's Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Unclassified Recall; A single lot of grape tomatoes, because they have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella; Information is provided in case of consumer inquiry.

From the information provided by FDA, the product being recalled was distributed in the neighboring State of Michigan. The product was distributed to North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Florida, New Jersey, New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, California, Georgia and Canada, and reached consumers through retail stores and

restaurant distribution.

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.

Six L's Voluntarily Recalls Grape Tomatoes Because of Possible Health Risk

Contact:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - April 29, 2011 - Six L's of Immokalee, Fla. is voluntarily recalling a single lot of grape tomatoes, because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. The strain of Salmonella has not been determined and no illnesses have been reported.

The specific lot was packed on April 11 and was comprised of grape tomatoes that can be identified by Cherry Berry lot code DW-H in either in clam shells or 20 lbs. cardboard containers. The product was distributed to North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Florida, New Jersey, New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, California, Georgia and Canada, and reached consumers through retail stores and restaurant distribution.

The contamination was detected through a random sample obtained by the USDA at a distributor in New York. The product is from a farm in Estero, Fla. which has since ceased production of that commodity.

The recall does not include any other tomatoes or produce distributed by Six L's. Consumers who have purchased the specific lot of grape tomatoes mentioned above are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Six L's at 877-606-1821, ext. 3955, 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

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