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State Health Commissioner

DATE: December 16, 2015
TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer
Kendall Hays
FROM: Laurie Kidwell, RRT Supervisor
Food Protection Program
SUBJECT: Stella & Chewy's - RECALL [Animal Health]

AFFECTED PRODUCT: Frozen Dinner Morsel Products

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; The recall has been initiated due to concerns of a possible presence of *Listeria monocytogenes*.

As a precautionary measure, Stella & Chewy's is voluntarily recalling all products from Lot # 165-15, which includes:

<u>Product Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>UPC</u>	<u>Lot #</u>	<u>Use By</u>
Frozen Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels for Dogs	8.5 oz.	186011 001554	165-15	6/25/2016
Frozen Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels for Dogs	4 lb.	186011 001370	165-15	6/25/2016 & 6/26/2016
Frozen Duck Duck Goose Dinner Morsels for Cats	1.25 lb.	186011 001455	165-15	6/25/2016

Moreover, while the below listed product has not tested positive for *Listeria monocytogenes*, in an abundance of caution, we are also recalling the following products which may have come into contact with the affected lot:

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The recalled products were distributed nationwide through stores and sold online.

SUGGESTED ACTION: Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Retailers and consumers can find the full product recall list and additional information at: <http://www.stellaandchewys.com/stella-chewys-recall-notice/>. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

Recall -- Firm Press Release



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Stella & Chewy's Voluntarily Recalls Frozen Dinner Morsel Products Due to Possible Health Risk

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For Immediate Release

December 11, 2015

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Stella & Chewy's is voluntarily recalling four of its products sold in the U.S. and Canada due to concerns of a possible presence of *Listeria monocytogenes*. The recall affects a total of 990 cases (964 cases in the U.S and 26 cases in Canada). The recall was prompted by a positive test confirming *Listeria monocytogenes* in Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels for Dogs 8.5 oz. frozen bags, lot #165-15, "Use by 6-25-2016", during routine surveillance testing by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

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.

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Consumers should look at the product descriptions, UPCs, lot numbers, and "Use By" dates on each bag for an exact match to determine if it is subject to the recall. Anyone who has purchased these products are instructed to dispose of the food or return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.

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Product Photos



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\$3.99

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Meat & Bones



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Stella's Super Beef
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Quick Thaw & Serve

100% complete & balanced dinners
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What's so good about Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels? It's a complete and balanced meal for your dog, made with real, natural ingredients. It's also a great way to get your dog's daily vitamins and minerals. Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels are made with real, natural ingredients, including grass-fed beef, chicken, and sweet potatoes. They are also made with no added hormones or antibiotics, and no grains, gluten, or artificial preservatives. Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels are a healthy and delicious way to feed your dog.

As an pet parent, you know your dog's health is your top priority. That's why you want to make sure your dog is getting the best nutrition possible. Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels are a complete and balanced meal for your dog, made with real, natural ingredients. They are also made with no added hormones or antibiotics, and no grains, gluten, or artificial preservatives. Stella's Super Beef Dinner Morsels are a healthy and delicious way to feed your dog.

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KEEP FROZEN

(Not actual size)

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When I rescued Chewy from an animal shelter, he was severely sick and malnourished. I put him on a raw meat diet upon a veterinarian's advice. Chewy recovered and he and his best friend, Stella, thrived on this diet.

This experience taught me that the right food (and a lot of love) can promote a pet's health and well-being. So in 2003, I created Stella & Chewy's with the help of veterinary nutritionists to make food and treats available at your local pet store or good as what I could make at home.

As a cat owner, I recognize the importance of biologically-appropriate foods specifically formulated for cats' nutritional needs. Our family of diners are not only an important part of a healthy diet, but also deliver on the taste cats crave.

Speaking for the entire Stella & Chewy's family, thank you for trying this product.

Marie Moody
 Founder & Chairman

We use only the good stuff!

At Stella & Chewy's, we believe cats deserve to thrive on real, raw food – the way nature intended. Because the closer foods stay to their natural state, the better they are. That's why we use raw, cage-free poultry, with no added hormones* and antibiotic-free. All Stella & Chewy's products are made without grains, gluten, flour, artificial preservatives or colorings.

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Food safety you can trust.

At Stella & Chewy's, food safety is our number one priority. We pride ourselves in making all of our products in our Wisconsin plant and sourcing every ingredient in this product from reputable North American and European suppliers. Our patented SecurelyNature® food safety process is designed to make our foods safe from harmful bacteria naturally, while retaining the food's nutrient value and flavor. All of our products are tested before packaging with the results posted on our website for complete peace of mind.

Pet owners and veterinarians tell us that feeding a safe, complete and balanced raw diet helps support:

- a healthy appetite and digestion
- a healthy skin and coat
- stamina and vitality
- a healthy immune system

FEEDING GUIDELINES

Our Dinner Morsels minimize the time needed to thaw before serving. Measure your cat's meal portion when frozen according to feeding guidelines below, do not microwave. The product will thaw in minutes. Some liquids when completely thawed a normal 180°F may have steam, fresh water available at mealtime.

The table below shows the number of cups to feed each day based on a cat's weight. Please note these are guidelines and individual requirements can vary based on your cat's activity level, metabolism, age, general health, and other factors. More information on feeding guidelines is also available on our website.

New Users: Subtle changes in diet, including overfeeding, can sometimes result in digestive issues. Always introduce any new food by slowly mixing with your current diet for the first 7-10 days, increasing the amount of Stella & Chewy's while decreasing the amount of the other brand.

Number of Cups per Day*					
Body Weight (lbs.)	6	8	10	12	14
Adult # of Cups	1 1/4	1 1/2	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4
Pregnant # of Cups	2	2	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4

* Standard 8 oz. measuring cup.
 Clients may need up to twice the amount of food as listed for an active adult, for pregnant & nursing cats. Please check with your veterinarian to requirements vary depending on the number of kittens and stage of lactation.

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Crude Proteinmax, 13.5%
 Crude Fatmin, 10.2%
 Crude Fibermax, 2.0%
 Moisturemax, 70.2%
 Taurinemin, 0.1%

Duck Duck Goose Dinner Morsels is formulated to meet the nutritional levels established by the AAFCO Cat Food Nutrient Profiles for All Life Stages.

CALORIE CONTENT (metabolizable energy calculated): 1,480 kcal/kg

INGREDIENTS: Duck (ground with bone), Turkey, Turkey Liver, Bones, Turkey Gizzards, Pumpkin Seed, Potassium Chloride, Sodium Phosphate Monobasic, Chlorine Chloride, Dried Pediococcus Acidolactici Fermentation Product, Dried Lactobacillus Acidophilus Fermentation Product, Dried Bifidobacterium Longum Fermentation Product, Taurine, Tocopherols (antioxidant), Zinc Proteinate, Zinc Sulfate, Iron Sulfate, Iron Proteinate, Vitamin E Supplement, Iodine, Copper Sulfate, Copper Proteinate, Riboflavin, Manganese Sulfate, Sodium Selenite, Manganese Proteinate, Thiamine Mononitrate, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Vitamin D3 Supplement, Folic Acid, Calcium Iodate, Vitamin B12 Supplement.

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Safe Handling Instructions: As with all food products, care should be taken in storing and handling. Store frozen product in sealed bag until ready to thaw. Wash hands, work surfaces, bowls, and utensils which come into contact with the product with soap and hot water if your pet does not consume all of the food when presented within one hour, remove any leftovers and discard.

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GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Crude Protein min. 15.0%
Crude Fat min. 8.0%
Crude Fiber max. 2.0%
Moisture max. 70.0%
Taurine min. 0.1%

Chick, Chick Chicken Dinner Morsels is formulated to meet the nutritional levels established by the AAFCO Cat Food Nutrient Profiles for All Life Stages.

CRUDE CONTENT (metabolizable energy calculated) 1,370 kcal/kg

INGREDIENTS: Chicken (Ground with Bone), Chicken Liver, Chicken Gizzard, Pumpkin Seed, Potassium Chloride, Sodium Phosphate Monobasic, Chlorine Dioxide, Dried Pediococcus Acid Lactici Fermentation Product, Dried Lactobacillus Acidophilus Fermentation Product, Dried Bifidobacterium Longum Fermentation Product, Taurine, Tocopherols (preservative), Zinc Proteinate, Zinc Sulfate, Iron Sulfate, Iron Proteinate, Vitamin E Supplement, Nickel, Copper Sulfate, Copper Proteinate, Iodine, Manganese Sulfate, Sodium Selenite, Manganese Proteinate, Thiamine Mononitrate, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Vitamin D3 Supplement, Folic Acid, Calcium Sulfate, Vitamin B12 Supplement.

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