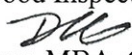




DATE: March 19, 2010

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

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

SUBJECT: The Kroger Company Recall

SUGGESTED ACTION: **Unclassified Recall; Kroger California Seasoning Blend Garlic Powder 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. Stores under the following names in the 31 states where Kroger operates are included in this recall: Kroger, Ralphs, Fred Meyer, Food 4 Less, Fry's, King Soopers, Smith's, Dillons, QFC, City Market, Foods Co., Jay C, Scott's, Owen's, Baker's, Gerbes, Hilander and Pay Less. Detail information about individual stores 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.

Kroger Amends Code Date on Recalled Seasoning Blend Garlic Powder

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASECINCINNATI, Ohio, March 16, 2010 – The Kroger Co. today amended the code date on Kroger California Seasoning Blend Garlic Powder it

recalled yesterday due to notification from a supplier that an ingredient in the product may have been contaminated with Salmonella.

Kroger is recalling Kroger California Seasoning Blend Garlic Powder sold in 2.5-ounce jars with code dates of **Sell By: Dec 03 11PS2** and **Sell by: Dec 04 11PS2** under the following UPC code: 1111066599.

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No illnesses have been reported in connection with the Kroger products.

Customers who have purchased the above products should not consume them and should return them to a store for a full refund or replacement.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections, particularly in young children, the elderly, and persons with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and/or abdominal pain. For more information, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website at www.cdc.gov¹.

Consumers who have questions about this recall may contact Kroger toll-free at (800) 632-6900. For more information, please visit www.kroger.com/recalls².

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Photo: [Product Labels](#)³