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

FROM: ^{ASG} A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: The Suter Company, Inc. Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Class II Recall; Canned chicken salad products that may contain foreign materials- hard plastic; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by USDA, the product being recalled may have been distributed in the State of Indiana. The chicken salad products were assembled between Aug. 14 and Aug 28, 2010, and shipped to distributors and retail stores nationwide. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Illinois Firm Recalls Canned Chicken Salad Products That May Contain Foreign Materials

Recall Release
FSIS-RC-064-2010

CLASS II RECALL
HEALTH RISK: LOW

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 5, 2010 - The Suter Company, Inc., a Sycamore, Ill., establishment, is recalling approximately 72,000 pounds of canned chicken salad products that may contain foreign materials, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The products subject to recall include: [View Labels (PDF Only)]

- 8.2-ounce packages of "BUMBLE BEE LUNCH ON THE RUN CHICKEN SALAD COMPLETE LUNCH KIT." The package contains a 2.9-ounce can of Bumble Bee Chicken Salad along with crackers, mixed fruit, a cookie and a spoon. The package label indicates the product is "Mixed and Ready to Eat." The product package indicates a "Best-by" date of 07/11.
- 3.5-ounce packages of "BUMBLE BEE CHICKEN SALAD WITH CRACKERS." The package contains a 2.9-can of Bumble Bee Chicken Salad and crackers. The package label indicates the product is "Ready to Eat." The product package indicates a "Best-by" date of 01/12 or 02/12.

The cans of chicken salad bear the establishment number "P-169" inside the USDA mark of inspection and the lot code "0225XXQBC" printed on the package. The chicken salad products were assembled between Aug. 14 and Aug 28, 2010, and shipped to distributors and retail stores nationwide.

The problem was discovered after consumer complaints about finding hard plastic in the product. FSIS has not received any reports of injury at this time. Anyone concerned about an injury from consumption of this product should contact a physician.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact Tim Suter at (815) 895-9186.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at AskKaren.gov. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.

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