

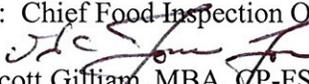


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**DATE:** March 1, 2011

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

**FROM:**   
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Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** E&J Brandy Recall

**SUGGESTED**

**ACTION:** Unclassified Recall; Stainless steel flask sold in E&J® VSOP gift sets in 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 and in E&J® XO gift sets sold in 2006 because laboratory results revealed that brandy stored in the flask under certain conditions may show elevated levels of lead; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the product being recalled may have been distributed in the State of Indiana. These gift sets were sold throughout the United States through a variety of retail stores as recently as this past holiday season. Some flasks in leather cases were also given away as a promotional item in 2007. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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**Recall -- Firm Press Release**

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**E&J Brandy Announces A Nationwide Recall Of Stainless Steel Flasks Due To Possible Lead Risk**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - February 25, 2011 - E&J Brandy announces the following voluntary recall. Consumers should immediately stop using the stainless steel flask sold in E&J® VSOP gift sets in 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 and in E&J® XO gift sets sold in 2006. This voluntary recall pertains only to stainless steel flasks manufactured for E&J Brandy because laboratory results revealed that brandy stored in the flask under certain conditions may show elevated levels of lead. Prolonged exposure to elevated levels of lead may have negative health effects. This recall does not pertain to any bottles of E&J Brandy.

The affected flasks included in the 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 E&J® VSOP gift sets are silver, rectangular in shape and have “E&J VSOP” etched on the front. The affected flasks included in the 2006 E&J® XO gift sets are silver and round in shape with “E&J” etched on the front. These gift sets were sold throughout the United States through a variety of retail stores as recently as this past holiday season. Some flasks in leather cases were also given away as a promotional item in 2007.

Consumers in possession of an affected stainless steel flask should call the consumer recall hotline at 1-866-959-8477 at any time for instructions on how to return the product and receive a full refund. The brandy contained in the gift set is unaffected and may be safely consumed but any brandy or other liquid in the flask should not be consumed.

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