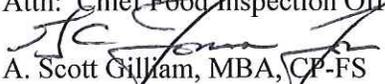




DATE: August 1, 2012

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

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

SUBJECT: Garden-Fresh Foods Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; various ready-to-eat salads, slaw, salsa, bean and dip products sold under various brands and code dates (see attachment). The products may contain onions from Gills Onions, which may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the State of Indiana. Products are sold in various size containers (8oz to 8 pound packages). The product were distributed in the following states: WI, MN, IA, IL, OH, IN, TX, FL, MA, MO, MI, PA, AZ, CA, and distributed to retail stores and food services. In addition, if any recalled products are 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.

Garden Fresh Foods, Inc. Recalls Specific Packages of Products Containing Onions Because of Possible Health Risk Due To Gills Onions Expanded Recall

Contact

Consumer:
1-800-645-3367

Media:
Steve Mueller
414-645-1000

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - July 31, 2012 - Garden-Fresh Foods is initiating a voluntary recall on various ready-to-eat salads, slaw, salsa, bean and dip products sold under various brands and code dates (see attachment). The products may contain onions from **Gills Onions**, which may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, an organism that 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 who have purchased any of the suspect products are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. **Currently there has been no illness reported related to this recall.**

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-645-3367 Monday through Friday between the hours 8:00AM- 4:30 PM

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