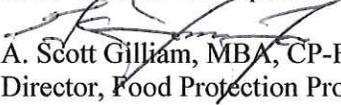




Michael R. Pence
Governor

William C. VanNess II, MD
State Health Commissioner

DATE: March 18, 2013
TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer
FROM: 
A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Director, Food Protection Program
SUBJECT: Grippo Foods, Inc. Recall

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Unclassified Recall; All bags and boxes of their Plain Potato Chips, Bar-B-Q Potato Chips, Cheddar Cheese with a touch of Jalapeno Potato Chips, Hot Dill Pickle Potato Chips, Sweet Bermuda Onion Potato chips and Salt & Vinegar Potato Chips. These products may have the potential to contain metal fragments; 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. These products were distributed to retail markets in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois beginning September 15, 2012 until March 14, 2013. Detail store information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-351-7190.

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.

Grippo Foods Inc. Issues A Voluntary Recall Of All Sizes Of Their Plain Potato Chips, Bar-B-Q Potato Chips, Cheddar Cheese With A Touch Of Jalapeno Potato Chips, Hot Dill Pickle Potato Chips, Sweet Bermuda Onion Potato Chips And Salt & Vinegar Potato Chips Due To Possible Health Risk

Contact:
Consumer:
1-800-626-1824

Media:
Jerry Hawk
513-923-1900

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - March 15, 2013 - Grippo Foods, Inc, Cincinnati, OH, is initiating a nationwide recall of all bags and boxes of their Plain Potato Chips, Bar-B-Q Potato Chips, Cheddar Cheese with a touch of Jalapeno Potato Chips, Hot Dill Pickle Potato Chips, Sweet Bermuda Onion Potato chips and Salt & Vinegar Potato Chips. These products may have the potential to contain metal fragments. Consumption of foodborne foreign objects that are hard and sharp may result in moderate or serious injury. Minor injuries such as transient choking, or small lacerations in the oral cavity or gastrointestinal system, as well as Dental injury, such as a fractured tooth, may occur. While, serious injury is remotely possible, it could involve severe choking with airway obstruction, perforation in the oral cavity or gastrointestinal system, or secondary infection due to any of these events.

The recall includes the following: The bagged chips have an expiration date of May 20 and before. The 1.5 pound boxes of chips have an expiration date of April 29 and before. The date code is located in the upper right corner of the package.

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NAME	UPC CODE
Plain	0 76847 12124 6
Bar-B-Q	0 76847 14123 7
Cheddar Cheese with a touch of Jalapeno	0 76847 14127 5
Hot Dill Pickle	0 76847 14126 8
Sweet Bermuda Onion	0 76847 14124 4
Salt & Vinegar	0 76847 14125 1

The firm voluntarily recalled the products after being notified by the Ohio Department of Agriculture that there were metal shavings found in the salt applicator. FDA has been apprised of this action.

No injuries have been reported to date.

Grippo Foods, Inc. is notifying its distributors and customers. Consumers who have purchased these products should stop using and return to place of purchase for a refund.

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-626-1824 9 am to 4 pm EST Monday through Friday.

[Photo: Product Labels³](#)