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DATE: August 13, 2014

TO: All Local Health Departments
Atty. Chief Food Inspection Officer

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SUBJECT: Sunfood - RECALL [Food]

**AFFECTED
PRODUCT:** Organic Carob Powder

SUMMARY: Unclassified Recall; This recall has been initiated because it has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.

The product comes in 1lb, 20lb & 55lb white poly bags. The following lot numbers were affected: 140321,140416,140509,140516,140609,140616 & 140623. Expiration date is 6/5/2015 and UPC Code 803813-04429 8.

Organic Carob Powder was distributed nationwide in retail stores and through mail orders.

**SUGGESTED
ACTION:** Recommend notification of affected parties via phone, fax, or e-mail. Consumers who have purchased the affected Organic Carob Powder are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Sunfood at 1-888-RAWFOOD between 8am and 5pm PDT. Furthermore, if any recalled products are found, notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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.



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Sunfood Recalls Organic Carob Powder Because Of Possible Health Risk

Contact

Consumer:
1-888-RAWFOOD

Media:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – August 11, 2014 – **Sunfood of El Cajon, CA** is recalling **Organic Carob Powder**, because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Organic Carob Powder was distributed nationwide in retail stores and through mail orders.

The product comes in 1lb, 20lb & 55lb white poly bags. The following lot numbers were affected: 140321, 140416, 140509, 140516, 140609, 140616 & 140623. Expiration date is 6/5/2015 and UPC Code 803813-04429 8.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The potential for contamination was noted after routine testing by our supplier revealed the possibility of *Salmonella* in the above noted lot numbers.

Production of the product has been suspended while FDA and the company continue to investigate as to the source of the problem.

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