

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Consider this message a "Heads Up" notice. If warranted, DSCP will initiate an ALFOODACT. FYI, I've pasted a copy of the DSCP Recall Notice below:

SUBJECT: DSCP Recall 027-2003: Raw, Pork Sausage (Gwaltney of Smithfield, LTD)

Date Issued: September 2, 2003

Recall Notification Level: Retail, Food Service

PRODUCT RECALLED: Pork Sausage, 16-ounce package/chub

PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

Mild, Premium (40% less fat) Raw, Pork Sausage

Five "sell by" dates are involved in this recall:

- 03 Sep 03
- 12 Sep 03
- 26 Sep 03
- 3 Oct 03
- 10 Oct 03

All of the products subject to recall also bear the establishment code "EST. 221-A" inside the USDA mark of inspection.

No other Gwaltney products are involved in this recall.

PROBLEM/REASON FOR RECALL: Due to a customer complaint, samples of the pork sausage were submitted to the US Army Veterinary Command, Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory, in Fort Sam Houston for examination. The laboratory results were positive for *Salmonella* and *E. coli*. In addition, routine inspections in various DeCA commissaries have revealed product that is off-condition (i.e., off-odor, swelling).

FEDERAL ESTABLISHMENT:

Est. 221-A
Gwaltney of Smithfield, LTD
Hwy 10 North
(P.O. Box 489), 601 N. Church Street
Smithfield, VA 23430

QUANTITY RECALLED: Unknown

DISTRIBUTION: DeCA Commissaries and Military Dining Facilities

DSCP INSTRUCTIONS:

- (1) Secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use of the item.
- (2) Return product involved in recall to manufacturer via the vendor representative.

The Point Of Contact for this DSCP Recall notice is CW3 Melinda Strother, Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-HS. VOICE, DSN: 444-7746/2911, Commercial (215) 737-7746/2911, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.