

**ALFOODACT 01/04**  
**Status of ALFOODACT Messages for Calendar Year 2003.**

**1. Reference:**

- a. DLAR 4155.26/AR40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38C, DOD Hazardous Food and Nonprescription Drug Recall system.
- b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1(F).

**2. During the Calendar Year 2003, thirteen (13) ALFOODACT messages were issued.** The series began with 01-03 and ended with 13-03.

**3. The 2003 ALFOODACT message summary follows:**

<b>Msg #</b>	<b>Product</b>	<b>Disposition</b>
<a href="#">01-03</a>	Status of Alfoodact messages for CY 2002	All Closed
<a href="#">02-03</a>	Chicken of the Sea Tuna	closed
<a href="#">03-03</a>	Disposition Instructions for ALFOODACT 02-03	closed
<a href="#">04-03</a>	Disposition Instructions for ALFOODACT 14-02	closed
<a href="#">05-03</a>	Chicken of the Sea Tuna	closed
<a href="#">06-03</a>	Wornick MREs	closed
<a href="#">07-03</a>	"White Wave" Soy Milk	closed
<a href="#">08-03</a>	"Pride of Iowa" Products	closed
<a href="#">09-03</a>	Ban of Imported Canadian Ruminant	closed
<a href="#">10-03</a>	Amendment to ALFOODACT 09-03	closed
<a href="#">11-03</a>	Updated List of Banned Countries	closed
<a href="#">12-03</a>	"Country Pride" Chicken	closed
<a href="#">13-03</a>	"Stampede" Frozen Beef	closed

- a. Closed status denotes that this office has provided final disposition instructions for the item(s).
- b. Open status denotes that only partial disposition instructions have been provided, and that further instructions will be provided in a subsequent message by this office.

**4. ALFOODACT messages may involve situations of serious adverse health consequences or death**, therefore, it is important for each message recipient to carefully read each ALFOODACT message in detail and take appropriate action expeditiously. Message recipients should take the appropriate and necessary follow-up actions for subsequent deliveries of the recalled item(s) to ensure compliance with the initial recall.

**5. To avoid delays, recipients of ALFOODACT messages are encouraged to maintain a close liaison with their servicing telecommunications centers.** The installation message center must be provided with a current point of contact list within the activity to ensure timely notification of receipt. If an ALFOODACT message is not received, the local telecommunications center should be contacted to obtain a copy. However, if all attempts to secure a copy fail, then contact this center (DSCP-HSQ) for further assistance. Reference 1.b. Requires telecommunications centers to maintain a file of each ALFOODACT message for one year and to provide copies upon request. Paragraph 309 of reference 1.b. further requires the

telecommunications centers to maintain a record of each joint general message, (e.g. ALFOODACT messages) by serial number, until canceled by the first ALFOODACT message of the new calendar year. If the telecommunications center failed to receive the message, then they should request a retransmission from their particular switching station. This center is responsible for issuing ALFOODACT Messages. Message recipients that have not received a message for 90 days or longer should contact DSCP for the latest message.

**6. Activities that discover a condition in a food or nonprescription drug that may require a recall** should report it to DSCP Philadelphia PA//DSCP-HSQ// IAW paragraph v.d.5 of reference 1.a. While an activity may place an item on "Medical Hold" for a hazardous condition, the issuance of an ALFOODACT Recall Notice is restricted to the DSCP Consumer Safety Officer.

**7. Disposition instructions are currently being placed below the body of each message and can be interpreted as follows:**

a. Messages which state, "the item is to be placed in a "Medical Hold" status and the particular supplier/distributor contacted for appropriate disposition instructions" will indicate that no further disposition instructions will be provided by this center, and the action will be considered closed.

b. Only messages, which state, "the item is to be placed in a "Medical Hold" status and appropriate disposition instructions will be issued at a later date," will be considered open, and further instructions will be provided by this center.

**8. DSCP appreciates the outstanding efforts and continued support of the DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System by all activities during 2003.** Your comments and suggestions for improvement to this system are welcome.

**9. POC this message is [CW3 Melinda F. Strother](#)** Consumer Safety Officer, DSCP-HSQ, at DSN 444-7746, commercial (215) 737-7746, or by fax to (215) 737-7526.