

SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 005-2005- *King Oscar Brand Fillets of Anchovies in Olive Oil (Clarification of Final Disposition Instructions)*

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1. REFERENCE:

a. DLAR 4155.26/AR 40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38c, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System.

b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1 (f).

c. ALFOODACT 015-2004: *King Oscar Brand Rolled Fillets of Anchovies in Pure Olive Oil (with capers)*, issued on December 1, 2004.

d. ALFOODACT 016-2004- *King Oscar Brand Fillets of Anchovies in Olive Oil (EXPANDED)*, issued on December 2, 2004.

e. ALFOODACT 003-2005- *King Oscar Brand Fillets of Anchovies in Olive Oil (Final Disposition Instructions)*, issued on January 4, 2005.

2. BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this message is to clarify the final disposition instructions for the storage and sale of King Oscar anchovies. The warehousing of canned anchovies in cool temperatures is not a unique practice. In fact, this is an established practice among manufacturers of canned anchovies. However, it is not a common practice for grocery stores to offer the sale of canned anchovies in a refrigerated section of the store. Due to space allocations, grocery managers must make efficient use of the available shelving space in their store. After further guidance from King Oscar quality representatives, ALFOODACT 003-2005, issued on January 4, 2005 has been revised. Please see paragraph 7.(4) of this message for specific revisions.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES :

Bumble Bee Seafood representatives have assisted in identifying canned anchovies that are beyond their recommended shelf life. The following codes are applicable:

UPC#	Lot Code	Can Code	Date Produced	Shelf Life Remaining
3480060060	3275XSK000	SK275E	2-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3288XSK000	SK288E	15-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3289XSK000	SK289E	16-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3302XSK000	SK302E	29-Oct-03	0 days

3480060060	3303XSK000	SK303E	30-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3304XSK000	SK304E	31-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3307XSK000	SK307E	3-Nov-03	0 days
3480060060	3307XSN000	SN307E	3-Nov-03	0 days
3480060060	3364XA0000	AO1942 364E	30-Dec-03	0 days
3480060065	3216XSN000	SN216E	4-Aug-03	0 days
3480060065	3217XSN000	SN217E	5-Aug-03	0 days
3480060065	3343XA0000	AO1942 343E	9-Dec-03	0 days

Product cans are reported to be labeled with the following distributors, but please note that other distributors may be involved that have not yet been identified:

Distributed By:
 Bumble Bee Inc.,
 San Diego, CA 92122
 Product of Morocco

Distributed By:
 Stinson Seafood Co.
 Prospect Harbor, ME 04669 -U.S.A.

4. **DISTRIBUTION:** Found in DeCA Commissaries- Alaska; product may be in other locations as well.

5. **QUANTITY:** Unknown

6. **REASON FOR RECALL:** The product *may* pose a potential food safety risk.

7. **DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:**

(1) Examine King Oscar anchovies currently on "Medical Hold." Any can code listed **in paragraph 3.** of this message (including can code SN216E originally recalled in ALFOODACT 015-2004), is beyond the recommended shelf life, and should be destroyed in accordance with local policies.

(2) Any swollen/distended cans of King Oscar anchovies found in inventory should be destroyed.

(3) King Oscar canned anchovies that appear normal and are not stamped with codes listed in paragraph 3. of this message should be returned to inventory/commissary store shelves (as soon as possible) for normal sale.

(4) Accountable activities should note that cans are labeled with a "Store In Cool Place" precautionary statement. The manufacturer recommends that King Oscar canned anchovies be warehoused in the temperature range of 32° - 50°F, prior to placement on shelves, for optimal shelf and product quality. **King Oscar anchovies are**

not required to be located and "offered for sale" in the refrigerated section of the DeCA stores.

(5) **Ships at sea** are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products at their discretion. Documentation for the number of pounds and cases, and any additional pertinent information must be signed by the Accountable Officer and is required for the purpose of recouping to the government the cost of the product involved. Information shall be forwarded by priority message to this center.

8. **The Point Of Contact** for this message is [CW3 Melinda Strother](#), Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-HS. VOICE, DSN: 444-7746/8461, Commercial (215) 737-7746/8461, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

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