

SUBJECT - ALFOODACT 013-2005: Unpasteurized Orange Juice: Orchid Island Juice Company

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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. FDA Statement, Dated July 8, 2005.

<http://www.fda.gov/bbs/topics/NEWS/2005/NEW01203.html>

d. Recall/Market Withdrawal -- Firm/State Press Release, Dated July 15, 2005.

http://www.fda.gov/oc/po/firmrecalls/orchidislandjuice07_15.html

2. BACKGROUND:

The original FDA Statement, dated July 8, 2005 on unpasteurized orange juice has been modified/updated. The company involved in the original FDA Statement, Orchid Island Juice Company, is now *voluntarily recalling* specific unpasteurized fresh juice products and specific unpasteurized frozen juice products. The Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP) Consumer Safety Office has learned that nine containers of unpasteurized frozen juice products were shipped to Kuwait, with the intent to be consumed by military personnel. To date there has been 15 suspected cases of illness. The company is working with FDA to cooperatively determine the source of contamination. Please see the following information for specific brand names and product codes that are affected by this recall.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

The following information is applicable to the recalled products:

- All unpasteurized orange juice (only) with a code date of 7/25/05 or earlier
- All unpasteurized frozen orange juice with the following expiration codes and brand names:

a. Just Pik't and Natalie's Orchid Island Juice Company:

Expiration Codes: 04-25-2007 through 07-08-2007

b. Floridella brand

Expiration Codes: 18-04-2008 through 10-06-2008

c. Herders and St. Marc brands:

Bottle Codes: S3.2007.04.27 through S2.2007.06.27

d. Sundecker brand

Bottle Code: OE55 S1125

- Unpasteurized frozen juice is sold in liter, ¼ liter, 60 oz, 1800 ml, 1750 ml, and 250 ml sizes.
- Orchid Island Juice Company's unpasteurized orange juice can be identified by the following labels: Natalie's Orchid Island Juice Company, Ultimate Juice, Albritton Fruit, Finagle A Bagel, Gourmet Garage, Kings Market, Nino Salvaggio, Schnucks, Wegmans, Balducci's, and Zabars. Unpasteurized orange juice is sold in gallon, ½ gallon, quart, pint, 12 oz, and 8 oz sizes. All containers are made of plastic and are clear in color so the orange juice is visible.

Consumer Safety Information:

These products have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella* Typhimurium, a germ that can cause serious and sometimes-fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Otherwise healthy individuals may suffer short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, vomiting, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea. Long-term complications can include severe arthritis.

4. ESTABLISHMENT

Orchid Island Juice Company
330 North U.S. Highway # 1
Fort Pierce, FL 34950

5. DISTRIBUTION: *Traditional World Foods (T.W.F.) based in France, (shipped to Kuwait on June 26, 2005, from Miami, FL), nine containers of FLORIDELLA unpasteurized fresh frozen orange juice. The vessel should arrive at port of destination on July 28, 2005.* Orchid Island Juice Company also distributes unpasteurized orange juice and unpasteurized frozen orange juice in the following states: Alabama, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, South Carolina,

Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington D.C., West Virginia, Wisconsin, and internationally to Canada, France, and Japan. Consumers may have purchased or consumed the product through retail or foodservice establishments such as restaurants, hotels, resorts, or country clubs.

6. **RECALL CLASSIFICATION:** Class I

7. **QUANTITY RECALLED:** For Kuwait: Approximately 183,744 1-liter bottles, For Other Locations: Unknown

8. **REASON FOR RECALL:** The products have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella* Typhimurium.

9. **INSTRUCTIONS FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:**

(1) Immediately inventory stocks to identify the above items and secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use of the item.

(2) Accountable Activities that have recalled product in their inventory should return the product to the manufacturer through the appropriate distribution channels.

(3) As a potential for adverse health consequences exist, activities known to have issued/sold the recalled orange juice products are authorized to notify their customers.

(4) In addition, the company has advised that domestic consumers who have purchased unpasteurized orange juice and/or unpasteurized frozen orange juice distributed by Orchid Island Juice Company should throw the juice away and return just the container to the store of purchase for a full refund. International customers need to place the product on "hold". Consumers with questions may contact Orchid Island Juice Company directly at 772-465-1122.

(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.

(6) This ALFOODACT applies only to product descriptions and identifying codes outlined in paragraph/number 3.of this message.

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

Very Respectfully,
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