

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP) Consumer Safety Office (CSO) is releasing the following notice. If warranted, the CSO will initiate an ALFOODACT.

At this time we cannot exclude the DOD as a customer of products associated with subject recall. We are currently investigating to determine the extent and location of product under recall.

**SUBJECT:** DSCP Alert 011-2006, Tennessee Firm Recalls Ground Beef for Possible *E. coli* O157:H7 Contamination

**DSCP Issue Date:** 7 August 2006

Recall Release  
FSIS-RC-025-2006

**CLASS I RECALL**  
FSIS-RC-025-2006

**WASHINGTON, August 5, 2006** - Southeastern Meats, a Chattanooga, Tenn., firm, is voluntarily recalling approximately 4,337 pounds of ground beef that may be contaminated with *E. coli* O157:H7, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced today.

The products subject to recall are:

- 10- pound boxes of "GROUND BEEF PATTIES, SOUTHEASTERN MEATS, INC."
- 5- and 10- pound bags of "GROUND BEEF, SOUTHEASTERN MEATS, INC."
- 10- pound bags of "TACO BEEF MIX, INGREDIENTS BEEF AND BEEF PARTS, SOUTHEASTERN MEATS, INC."  
([View labels](#), PDF Only)

Each package bears the establishment number "Est. 7953" inside the USDA mark of inspection and the case code, "07 31 06" or "08 01 06."

The problem was discovered through routine FSIS microbiological testing. FSIS has received no reports of illnesses associated with consumption of this product.

The ground beef was produced on July 31 and August 1, and was distributed to retail establishments and institutions in Georgia and Tennessee.

*E. coli* O157:H7 is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea and dehydration. The very young, seniors and persons with compromised immune systems are the most susceptible to foodborne illness.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact company Vice President John Shoocraft at (423) 892-6024.

**DSCP INSTRUCTIONS:**

- (1) Secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use of the item.
- (2) Return recalled product to manufacturer through the appropriate distribution channels.

The Point Of Contact for this Recall notice is CW4 Ramona Martin, Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2905. Commercial (215) 737-2905, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

Any individual or office that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to [Ramona.Martin@dla.mil](mailto:Ramona.Martin@dla.mil).

Previous recalls and frequently asked questions are available at the following web site:

<http://www.dscp.dla.mil/subs/proserv/food/afamess.htm>

The navigation tool to the left allows you to view DSCP Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls also.

Very Respectfully,

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