

SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 002-2007: Ohio Firm Recalls Pasta Entrees for Toddlers due to Undeclared Allergen

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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. http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_010_2007_Release/index.asp

2. BACKGROUND :

Two products labels were inadvertently switched. Consumers should be aware that the chicken pasta product subject to recall may actually contain beef ravioli instead. The beef ravioli product contains cheese (milk), a known allergen.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

5.8-ounce packages of "Gerber GRADUATES FOR TODDLERS, lil' entrees, chicken & pasta wheel pick ups in sauce with peas." Each label bears the establishment number "P-19076" inside the USDA seal of inspection. The bottom of each package also bears the UPC code "15000 04870" as well as "21 Dec 07" followed by numbers between and including "0858 and 1053."

5.5-ounce packages of "Gerber GRADUATES FOR TODDLERS, lil' entrees, beef ravioli in tomato sauce with green beans." Each label bears the establishment number "19076" inside the USDA seal of inspection. The bottom of each package also bears the UPC code "15000 04876" as well as "20 Dec 07" followed by numbers between and including "1030 and 1127."

4. Manufacturer/Establishment Number:

Wornick Company
Cincinnati, Ohio

5. DISTRIBUTION: Worldwide

6. REASON FOR RECALL: Undeclared Allergen

7. INSTRUCTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION 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) 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.

(3) Accountable Activities should return recalled product to the manufacturer through the appropriate distribution channels for replacement and/or credit.

(4) Unless otherwise specified above, **NEGATIVE RESPONSES** directly to DSCP are NOT required.

(5) **POSITIVE RESPONSES** should be made in accordance with the appropriate Service or Agency regulations.

(6) When corresponding with DSCP concerning this message please include this message's subject in your subject line.

8. The Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message 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.

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

<http://www.dscp.dla.mil/subs/proserv/alfood/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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