

**SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 019-2007 - Gills Onions Recalls One Lot of Diced Yellow Onions**

**Date Issued: June 22, 2007**

**1. REFERENCES:**

- 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.fda.gov/oc/po/firmrecalls/gills06\\_07.html](http://www.fda.gov/oc/po/firmrecalls/gills06_07.html)

**2. BACKGROUND:**

The recall comes after the Washington State Department of Agriculture, during routine testing, detected *Listeria monocytogenes* in one retail bag of diced yellow onions. Gills Onions is working with both State and Federal officials to determine the cause. At this time there have been no reported illnesses associated with this product.

**3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:**

Diced yellow onions with "Lot #2017-R and a Best if used by 06/16/07

The foodservice packages were packed in 4/5 lb cartons and labeled under the Gills Onions Brand and the Sysco Natural Brand, both with the Lot 2017-R and the best-if-used by date of 06/16/07 printed directly on the front of the 5 lb bag as well as on the outside carton label.

**4. Manufacturer/Establishment Number:**

Gills Onions, LLC  
1051 S Pacific Avenue  
Oxnard, California 93030-7254

**5. DISTRIBUTION:** Worldwide

**6. REASON FOR RECALL:** *Listeria monocytogenes*

**7. INSTRUCTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:**

- a. 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.
- b. 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. In order to get credit please use a SF 364 and forward to your supporting FISC and copy furnished to NAVSUP 51. Your supporting FISC should forward to the account manager at DSCP. The form should include the number of the recall authorizing the survey action. Home ported ships/gallies will utilize DD form 1149 to transfer w/ reimbursement to the PV. The PV will submit credit invoice to the account manager at DSCP.

c. POSITIVE RESPONSES should be reported to Accountable Officers/Vendor Representatives of that facility. Return recalled product to the manufacturer through the appropriate distribution channels for replacement and/or credit. It may be more feasible for overseas location to seek reimbursement/credit and destroy at location.

d. Unless otherwise specified above, POSITIVE and NEGATIVE RESPONSES directly to DSCP Consumer Safety Officer (CSO) are NOT required. Notify your normal chain/representative for refund/credit/replacement.

e. 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 Hemphill, 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.Hemphill@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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