

Subject: ALFOODACT 144-2009 Unilever United States, Inc is Conducting a Nationwide Voluntary Recall of all Slim-Fast® Ready-To-Drink (RTD) Products

Date Issued: December, 04 2009

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).

2. BACKGROUND:

Unilever United States, Inc., of Englewood Cliffs, NJ, in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), is conducting a nationwide voluntary recall of all Slim-Fast® ready-to-drink (RTD) products in cans, due to the possibility of contamination with *Bacillus cereus*.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

The products are packaged in paperboard cartons and contain four, six or 12 steel cans that are 11 FL OZ (325 mL) each. Individual cans are also sold in certain retail outlets. The recall involves all Slim-Fast® RTD products in cans, regardless of flavor, Best-By date, lot code or UPC number.

No other Slim-Fast® products are affected by this recall. No Slim-Fast® powdered shakes, meal bars, or snack bars are affected by this recall.

4. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR:

Unilever
800 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632

5. DISTRIBUTION: Nationwide

6. REASON FOR ACTION: Potentially contaminated with *Bacillus cereus*.

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. POSITIVE FINDINGS should be reported to Accountable Officers/Vendor Representatives of that facility. Accountable Officer/Agency representatives/Buyers/Contracting Officers should seek refund/credit/replacement through the normal distribution channel with which the product was received (i.e. Distribution Centers, Prime Vendors, Manufacturers).
- 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/galleys 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. Except for Prime Vendors, POSITIVE and NEGATIVE RESPONSES directly to the DSCP Consumer Safety Officer (CSO) ARE NOT required. Prime Vendors should report findings to their DSCP Contracting Officer with a courtesy copy to the Consumer Safety Officer (dscpconssafofc@dla.mil). Other agencies such as DeCA, AAFES, MWR, VA, MCCS, etc. should report POSITIVE and NEGATIVE responses in accordance with their agency recall policies.

d. 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 CW3 Porter C. Burnett, Command Liaison Officer at DSCP-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2922, Commercial (215) 737-2922, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526, email dscpconssafofc@dla.mil.

Individuals or groups that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to dscpconssafofc@dla.mil, with "add to list" in the subject line. To be removed from the list place "remove from list" in the subject line.

Previous recalls and frequently asked questions are available at the following web site: <https://www.dscp.dla.mil/subs/fso/alfood/alfood.asp>. The navigation tool to the left allows you to also view DSCP Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls.

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