
MONOGRAPH NO: E01

ITEM: Cream Gravy w/ Ground Beef

(SOS)

NSN: 8940-01-455-4609

ITEM SPECIFICATION: PCR-C -040 Poly

APPROXIMATE CALORIC VALUE PER SERVING: 331 (PRIMARY)

CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM:

APPEARANCE: Medium ground beef dispersed in medium thick, glossy sauce, some yellow fat on surface. **Color profile:** Brown meat in a tan sauce (Gold version) or a creamy white sauce (new version).

ODOR: Slightly spicy, slightly cooked beef, slightly cooked milk.

FLAVOR: Slightly salty, mildly seasoned cream sauce; and cooked beef.

TEXTURE: Smooth, medium thick sauce; slightly chewy, tender ground beef.

ESTIMATED SHELF-LIFE AT 80 DEGREES F: 36 months
100 DEGREES F: 6 months

POSSIBLE DETERIORATIVE CHANGES:

APPEARANCE: Product may darken in color and may oil-off.

ODOR: Stale.

FLAVOR: Product may take on a cooked milk, flavor and become bland (loss of spice flavor) or stale.

TEXTURE: Beef may toughen slightly; sauce may become thicker or thinner. Mushy vegetables.

UNIQUE EXAMINATION / TEST PROCEDURES: None

SPECIA: NOTES: Product was reformulated in 1986 to have a whiter, more creamy tasting sauce. Can is designed to yield 18 portions of approximately 2/3 cup each (253 grams).