ACH Food Companies, Inc. Issues Voluntary Recall of Salad Toppings Due to Possible Health Risk Related to Sunflower Seeds

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Announcement

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. – ACH Food Companies, Inc. of Memphis, TN is recalling Durkee® Salad Topping, Food Club® branded Salad Topping and Hy-Vee® Garden Style Salad Topping because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

ACH has received no reports of illness to date, but is taking this voluntary action as a precaution to ensure the health and safety of everyone who enjoys our products.

The recall is the result of the expanded recall of sunflower kernels supplied to us by SunOpta.

These products are distributed throughout the United States and the Dominican Republic through retail stores.

HOW TO IDENTIFY THE RECALLED PRODUCT

Images of the product labels are shown below.

Recalled products can be identified on the Durkee® Salad Topping and the Food Club Salad Topping by the "Best By" date and the Hy-Vee product can be identified by its lot code. This information is printed in black ink on the bottom of the plastic product container.

Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136	6.75 oz	JUL 20 17
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Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136	6.75 oz	AUG 18 17
Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136	6.75 oz	AUG 19 17

Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136		6.75 oz		OCT 05 17		
Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136		6.75 oz		N	NOV 17 17	
Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136		6.75 oz		N	NOV 22 17	
Durkee Salad Topping	4760009136		6.75 oz		Fl	FEB 09 18	
Food Club Salad Topping	3680017322		6.75 oz		JUL 21 17		
Food Club Salad Topping	3680017322		6.75 oz		OCT 05 17		
Food Club Salad Topping	3680017322		6.75 oz		NOV 17 17		
Food Club Salad Topping	3680017322		6.75 oz		APR 20 18		
Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping		7545004755		6.75 oz		232A5 B	
Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping		7545004755		6.75 oz		238A5 B	
Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping		7545004755		6.75 oz		239A5 C	
Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping		7545004755		6.75 oz		279A5 C	

Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping	7545004755	6.75 oz	327A5 B
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Hy-Vee Garden Style Salad Topping	7545004755	6.75 oz	041A6 C
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Consumers who have purchased the recalled products are advised to not consume the product, and either discard the unused portion or return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.

No other ACH Food Companies, Inc. or Durkee® products are included in this recall.

Consumers with questions about the recall should contact ACH Food Companies, Inc. at 1-800-328-6013 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CST Monday through Friday.

- * We believe that none of the products being recalled were processed or offered through the national office.
- * We strongly encourage you to notify your agencies within one business day from receipt of this notice.
- * ALL cased and uncased inventories, both at the member level and agency level, need to be checked. This product may have entered member and agency warehouses through salvage, local donations, TEFAP, local purchases, retail pickups, food drives, or other avenues.
- * For additional local details, please contact the Health Department(s) for the area(s) your food bank serves.

For full details on the recall, please

visit: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm505024.htm?source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

If you have questions, please contact Wayne Melichar, Food Safety Manager, at wmelichar@feedingamerica.org or 312.629.7263.