

# Hostess Brands, LLC Issues Voluntary Recall of Limited-Edition Holiday White Peppermint Hostess® Twinkies® because of Possible Health Risk

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[Hostess Brands, LLC \(“Hostess”\) is voluntarily recalling its Holiday White Peppermint Hostess® Twinkies® because of a recall by Blommer Chocolate Company of the confectionary coating used on the Holiday White Peppermint Hostess Twinkies product. The confectionary coating contains milk powder ingredients recalled by Valley Milk Products, LLC due to a concern of \*Salmonella\* contamination. No illnesses have been reported to date, and none of the confectionary coating sampled has tested positive for \*Salmonella\*. However, Hostess is initiating this voluntary recall out of an abundance of caution.](#)

[Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with \*Salmonella\* often experience fever, diarrhea \(which may be bloody\), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with \*Salmonella\* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections \(i.e., infected aneurysms\), endocarditis and arthritis.](#)

[This recall applies only to the White Peppermint Hostess Twinkies \(UPC 888109111571\), which were only sold in multipack boxes \(9 individually wrapped cakes in a box, as pictured below\). This recall does not affect any other Hostess products. The products were sold to mass merchandisers, grocery stores, distributors, dollar and discount stores, and convenience stores throughout the United States.](#)

[Consumers who have purchased the affected product are urged to discontinue consumption and return them to the place of purchase for a full refund.](#)

Consumers with questions may contact 1-800-483-7253 Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Central Time.

Hostess Brands, LLC

Hostess Brands, LLC is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri and operates bakeries in Emporia, Kansas, Columbus, Georgia and Indianapolis, Indiana.

For more information about Hostess products and Hostess Brands, LLC, please visit [hostesscakes.com](http://hostesscakes.com). Follow Hostess on Twitter: @Hostess\_Snacks; on Facebook: [facebook.com/Hostess](https://www.facebook.com/Hostess); on Instagram: [Hostess\\_Snacks](https://www.instagram.com/Hostess_Snacks); and on Pinterest: [pinterest.com/hostesscakes](https://www.pinterest.com/hostesscakes).

**\* 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/ucm536055.htm?source=govdelivery&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm536055.htm?source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

If you have questions, please contact Wayne Melichar, Food Safety Manager, at

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