

7/6/09

Malt O Meal Class I Salmonella

At a Glance: Malt-O-Meal Company is conducting a voluntary product recall of single-serve packets of “Maple & Brown Sugar Instant Oatmeal” with carton date codes between June 30, 2009 and October 28, 2010 sold nationwide under a number of brands. This product contains an ingredient implicated in the recent Plainview Milk Products Cooperative recall due to potential Salmonella contamination.

The Issue: This product is identified as Mom’s Best Naturals brands and a number of Private Label Maple & Brown Sugar Instant Oatmeal. The single-serve packets are also contained in a “Variety Pack” with other flavors of instant oatmeal. All affected cartons are marked with carton date codes ranging from JUN3009 (June 30, 2009) and OCT2810 (October 28, 2010). These dates are usually printed as the first seven characters of a 15-character string under the “Use By Date” section of the package. Brands include Cub Foods, Diamond Crystal, Fastco, Flavorite, Foodland, Good ‘n Hearty, Hearty Traditions, Hy-Top, IGA, Mom’s Best Natural, Megaroons, Millville, Our Family, Richfood, Shop ‘n Save and Smart Menu.

Salmonella is a serious food-borne illness that can be dangerous to the elderly, the young, and the immuno-compromised. Those infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain.

Am I Impacted? Our Distribution Centers are in the process of contacting customers. If you purchased this product from U.S. Foodservice, you will be notified. If you purchased recalled product from somewhere else, we suggest you contact your supplier or place of purchase.

US Foodservice Position: At US Foodservice we take food safety very seriously. We also understand the extreme sensitivity of our customers to food-related health issues and are committed to keeping our customers abreast of the latest developments as fast as we get the information.

What You Can Do:

- Avoid eating or serving any recalled products
- Do not use any of these products as ingredients in recipes, even if cooked.
- Discard recalled products in a manner that prevents others from eating them
- Persons who think they may have become ill with a food-borne illness should consult their health care providers
- For additional information of products recalled contact the company at 1-877-665-9331 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Central time of at www.momsbestnaturals.com/oatmeal-news/carton-chart.php.