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PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY

Advisory	Recall of Canned beans
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INCIDENT

- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is warning consumers about a potential Clostridium botulinum (C. botulinum) contamination of canned beans manufactured by New Era Canning Company, New Era, Mich. C. botulinum is the bacterium that causes botulism, which can be fatal. The recall is for large institutional-sized cans, averaging 6 pounds in weight. The list of recalled products includes cans of cut green beans, Mexican-style chili beans, dark red kidney beans, and garbanzo beans.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACTION

- The FDA has advised Santa Cruz County Environmental Health that all recalled products are packed in large institutional 6-pound cans that may have been distributed to restaurants and other large food service institutions throughout the nation. New Era Canning Company under guidance from the FDA is contacting all distribution points regarding the recall. Environmental Health is in the process of contacting retail food stores that may handle the large institutional size cans to ensure that any recalled products are pulled from shelves.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Division is warning consumers who may have purchased any large, institutional size canned bean products to check canned food storage sites for any of the recalled products. Consumers are further warned not to consume any of the recalled products. **Particular care should be used when handling and disposing of cans that show signs of swelling or leakage to prevent any human exposure to the contents of the cans.** Santa Cruz County consumers in possession of this recalled product should contact the local Environmental Health office at (831) 454-2022.

INFORMATION

- The recalled products include:

Bunny brand, distributed by Bunn Capitol Co., Springfield, IL

Blue Lake mixed and shortcut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. Cans (UPC6444500193)

Classic Sysco brand, distributed by Sysco Corp., Houston, TX

Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 7486510779)



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Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 7486510487). [L

Garbanzo beans (garbanzo beans, water, salt, calcium chloride, EDTA) in 108.0 oz (6 lb. 12 oz.) cans (UPC 7486510484)

Code brand, distributed by Code, Atlanta, GA

Mixed & short cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 1207310120)

Fancy garbanzo beans without sulfites (garbanzo beans, water, salt, disodium EDTA) in 6 lb. 14 oz. cans (UPC 1207316120)

ComSource brand, distributed by ComSource, Atlanta, GA

Blue Lake cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952333)

Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952321)

ComSource Medallion Premium Quality brand, distributed by ComSource, Atlanta, GA

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952325)

ComSource Merit Excellence Food Service brand, distributed by ComSource, Inc, Atlanta, GA

Cut Blue Lake green beans, 5 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952327)

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952325)

ComSource Traditional brand, distributed by ComSource, Atlanta, GA

Blue Lake cut green beans, mixed and short cut, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 5254952359)

Cut Blue Lake green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952427)

Cut Blue Lake green beans, 5 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 5254952429)

Frosty Acres Restaurant's Pride Preferred brand, packed for F.A.B., Inc., Alpharetta, GA

Fancy Cut Blue Lake Green Beans, 3 sieve (green beans, water, salt), in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820067373)

Cut Blue Lake green beans, 4 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820067445)

Blue Lake cut green beans, 5 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820067451)

Fancy cut Blue Lake green beans (green beans, water, salt), in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820067339)

Fancy cut Blue Lake green beans, 4 sieve (green beans, water, salt), in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820067446)

Mixture of Blue Lake short cut, cut green beans (green beans, water, salt), in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4820068464)

Fancy garbanzos "chick pea" (garbanzo beans, water, salt, calcium chloride, disodium EDTA) in 111 oz. (6 lb. 15 oz.) cans (UPC 4820068264) [

GFS brand, distributed by Gordon Food Service, Grand Rapids, MI

Fancy Blue lake cut green beans, 4 sieve (green beans, water, salt), (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, reorder no. 118737 (UPC 9390111873)

Blue Lake Cut Green Beans, mixed sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans, reorder no. 273856 (9390127385)

Fancy Mexican Style Chili Beans in 6 lb. 12 oz. cans, GFS Reorder #192015, UPC 9390119201. The recall is limited to 43 cases of product with 6 cans per case of lot number 00249 5AJ6LC with a 4 digit time stamp number ranging from 2113 through 2235 printed on the end of the can after the lot number (For example: 00249 5AJ6LC 2113).

Goodtaste brand, distributed by New Era Canning Co., New Era, MI

Cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 3683512340)

Great Value

Dark Red Kidney Beans in 15.5 oz. cans, UPC 7874237085. This recall is limited to 12 cases with 12 cans per case with lot number 00249 CKJ6LD printed on the end of the can.

Harvest Value brand, distributed by U.S. Food Service, Columbia, MD

Cut green beans, mixed and short cut, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 173619 (UPC 5810803534)

Cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 101 (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 170524 (UPC 5810801047)

Cut green beans, short cut (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 173349 (UPC 5810803538)

Kitchen brand, distributed by Potato Products, Detroit, MI

5 sieve- EX.-STD. cut Blue Lake green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 6 oz. cans (no UPC code)

Kitchen brand, distributed by North Oakland Commodities, Grand Blanc, Michigan

Blue Lake Mixed Cuts Green Beans in 6 lb. 6 oz. cans

Kitchen Essentials brand, distributed by Gordon Food Service, Grand Rapids, MI.

Cut green beans, mixed sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 6 oz. cans, reorder no. 156337 (UPC 9390115633)

Monarch brand, distributed by Reid, Murdoch & Co., Columbia, MD

Extra Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 177039 (UPC 5810811196)

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz (6 lb 5 oz) cans, 170672 (UPC 5810801040)

Monarch Premium brand, packed for PYA/Monarch, Inc, Greenville, SC

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans, 173205 (No UPC code)

Mount Stirling brand, distributed by Pocahontas Foods USA, Richmond, VA

Blue Lake cut green beans, 5 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 4156033379).

Necco brand, packed by New Era Canning Co., New Era, MI

Cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 6 oz. cans (UPC 3683513340).

New Era brand, distributed by New Era Canning Co., New Era, MI

Veri-Green cut green beans (green beans, water, salt, zinc chloride) in 102 oz. (6 lb. 6 oz.) cans (No UPC code)

Cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 108 oz. (6 lb. 12 oz.) cans (UPC 3683511340)

Cut Blue Lake green beans, no salt added, (green beans, water) in 102 oz. (6 lb. 6 oz.) cans (No UPC code)

Garbanzo beans (garbanzo beans, water, salt, calcium chloride, EDTA) in 108 oz. (6 lb. 12 oz.) cans (UPC 3683511684)

Nugget brand, distributed by Nugget, Atlanta, GA

Green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6lb. 5oz.) (UPC 4410540023)

Cut green beans, 5 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC4410501930)

Veri-green cut green beans (green beans, water, salt, zinc chloride) in 6 lb. 12 oz. cans (UPC 4410502101)

Mixed short cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 4410518838)

Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 4410501989)

Pocahontas brand, distributed by Pocahontas Foods USA, Richmond, VA

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (Blue Lake green beans, water, salt), 10282, in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 4156010282)

Fancy long cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 4156010325)

Fancy Blue Lake green beans, 3 sieve, (Blue Lake green beans, water, salt), 10280, in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 4156010280)

Reliance Sysco, distributed by Sysco Corporation, Houston, TX

Mixed cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 7486512175)

Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans. (UPC 7486512172)

Blue Lake cut green beans, 5 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans (UPC 7486512174) [

Sysco brand, distributed by Sysco Corporation, Houston, TX

5096342 Imperial Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 7486512136)

5096359 Imperial Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 5 oz. cans (UPC 7486512137)

US brand, distributed by U.S. FoodService, Columbia, MD

Cut green beans, mixed sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 171132 (UPC 5810801048)

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 173416 (UPC 5810811195)

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 3 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, 170672 (UPC 5810801040)

Fancy Blue Lake cut green beans, 4 sieve, (green beans, water, salt) 170232 in 101 oz. (6 lb. 5 oz.) cans, (UPC 5810801041)

Cut green beans, 5 Sieve, (green beans, water, salt) in 101 oz (6 lb 5 oz) cans, 170675 (UPC 5810801042)

USDA, Food and Nutrition Service, Special Nutrition Programs, Alexandria, VA label

Cut green beans (green beans, water, salt) in 6 lb. 6 oz. cans (UPC 1500101061)

Garbanzo beans (garbanzo beans, water, salt, calcium chloride, EDTA) in 6 lb. 12 oz. cans (UPC code 1500101089)

- The botulism toxin is very potent, and botulism is a life threatening illness. Symptoms of botulism can begin from six hours to two weeks after eating food that contains the toxin. The symptoms may include double vision, blurred vision, drooping eyelids, slurred speech, difficulty swallowing, dry mouth, and muscle weakness that moves progressively down the body, affecting the shoulders first then descending to the upper arms, lower arms, thighs, and calves. Botulism also may cause paralysis of the breathing muscles, which can result in death unless assistance with breathing (mechanical ventilation) is provided. Individuals who show these symptoms and who may have recently eaten the product should seek immediate medical attention

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