

California Firm Recalls Ready-to-Eat Fresh Salad Products Containing Meat and Poultry Due to Possible *Salmonella* Contamination

Recall Release
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WASHINGTON, May 4, 2011 - Taylor Farms Pacific, a Tracy, Calif., establishment, is recalling approximately 22,000 pounds of ready-to-eat fresh salad products that contain meat and poultry because the grape tomatoes used in these products may be contaminated with *Salmonella*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The problem was discovered when Taylor Farms Pacific was notified by its tomato supplier, Six L's, that a specific lot of grape tomatoes was being recalled due to potential *Salmonella* contamination. Taylor Farms Pacific, in conjunction with the Food and Drug Administration, announced the recall of products containing the grape tomatoes on May 2, 2011. Some of the USDA-regulated products may have already been identified in that release (<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm253580.htm>).

The products subject to recall in packaging **for consumers** include:

- 6.5-oz. plastic trays of "Marketside Chef Salad" with a use-by date of "5/2/11," and the case code "10210276."
- 5.25-oz. plastic trays of "Marketside Cobb Salad" with a use-by date of "5/6/11," and the case code "10210277."
- 12-oz. plastic trays of "Signature Cafe BLT Salad with Chicken" with a use-by date of "4/27/11," and the case code "10218631."
- 12-oz. plastic trays of "Signature Cafe Cobb Salad" with a use-by date of "4/27/11" or "4/28/11," and the case code "10218625."
- 11-oz. plastic trays of "Signature Cafe Chef Salad" with a use-by date of "4/27/11," and the case code "10218627."

Each package bears a label with the establishment number "EST. 34013" or "P-34013" inside the USDA mark of inspection and the use-by date as noted above. The products subject to recall were produced from April 20–24, 2011, and were sent to distribution centers in Ariz., Calif., Nev., Utah and Wash. for further distribution to retail stores.

The products subject to recall in packaging **for retailers**, who may have assembled the kits and then repackaged the

products for retail sale include:

- 96-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe Cobb Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218805" and a use-by date of either "5/3/11" or "5/4/11" and distributed in Ariz., Calif., Colo. and Ore.
- 88-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe Chef Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218807" and a use-by date of "5/4/11," "5/5/11" or "5/7/11" and distributed in Ariz., Calif., Colo. and Ore.
- 96-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe Cobb Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218816" and a use-by date of either "5/2/11," "5/3/11" or "5/4/11" and distributed in Wash.
- 88-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe Chef Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218818" and a use-by date of "5/4/11" or "5/5/11" and distributed in Wash.
- 96-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe BLT Chicken Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218822" and a use-by date of "5/4/11" and distributed in Wash.
- 138-oz. packages of "Walmart Marketside Asian Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10219991" and a use-by date of "5/3/11," "5/5/11" or "5/6/11" and distributed in Ariz. and Nev.
- 136-oz. packages of "Walmart Marketside Buffalo Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10219992" and a use-by date of "5/7/11" and distributed in Wyo.
- 6.07-lb. packages of "Walmart Marketside Chef Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10212096" and a use-by date of "5/5/11," "5/6/11" or "5/7/11" and distributed in Ariz., Nev., N.M., Utah, Wash., and Wyo.
- 6-10 oz. packages of "Raleys to Go California Cobb Salad" bearing the case code "10201360" and a use-by date of "5/4/11" and distributed in Calif.
- 6-11.5 oz. packages of "Raleys to Go Classic Chef Salad" bearing the case code "10201364" and a use-by date of "5/4/11" and distributed in Calif.
- 100-oz. packages of "Save Mart Pacific Coast Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10202161" and a use-by date of "5/7/11" and distributed in Calif.
- 17.39-lb. packages of "Taylor Farms Italian Sub 2 CT Pasta Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10203008" and a use-by date of "5/7/11" and distributed in Ore.
- 84-oz. packages of "Taylor Farms Cobb Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10210193" and a use-by date of "5/5/11" or "5/8/11" and distributed in Ariz.
- 84-oz. packages of "Taylor Farms Cobb Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10210204" and a use-by date of "5/6/11" and distributed in Calif.
- 12.25-lb. packages of "Sam's BLT Chicken Spinach" bearing the case code "10212049" and a use-by date of "5/8/11" and distributed in Calif.
- 7.7-lb. packages of "Walmart Marketside Ranch Cobb Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10212097" and a use-by date of "5/5/11," "5/6/11" or "5/7/11" and distributed in Ariz., Nev., N.M., Utah, Wash. and

Wyo.

- 88-oz. packages of "Safeway Signature Cafe BLT with Chicken Salad Kit" bearing the case code "10218707" and a use-by date of "5/4/11" and distributed in Ariz. and Ore.

Each package bears a label with the establishment number "EST. 34013" or "P-34013" inside the USDA mark of inspection and the use-by date as noted above. The products were produced on various dates from April 20 and April 27, 2011. When repackaged into individual kits, the packages do not bear the USDA mark of inspection or the establishment number.

When available, the retail distribution list(s) will be posted on FSIS' website at www.fsis.usda.gov/FSIS_Recalls/Open_Federal_Cases/index.asp.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumption of food contaminated with *Salmonella* can cause salmonellosis, one of the most common bacterial foodborne illnesses. *Salmonella* infections can be life-threatening, especially to those with weak immune systems, such as infants, the elderly, and persons with HIV infection or undergoing chemotherapy. The most common manifestations of salmonellosis are diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and fever within 6 to 72 hours. Additional symptoms may be chills, headache, nausea and vomiting that can last up to seven days.

Media with questions about the recall should contact the company's President, Garth Borman, at (209) 835-6300. Consumers with questions regarding the recall should contact the company's Customer Service Manager, Cary Price, at (209) 835-6300.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at AskKaren.gov. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.