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DATE:

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TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** 

Cargill Animal Nutrition Recall

## SUGGESTED

**ACTION:** 

Unclassified Recall; Two regional brands of its dry dog food<sup>1</sup> – River Run and Marksman<sup>2</sup> – due to aflatoxin<sup>3</sup> levels that were detected above the acceptable limit;

Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the State of Indiana. The affected dry dog food products were distributed in the following 15 states/territories – Kansas, Missouri, Northeast Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Western Kentucky, Southeast Indiana, Southern Illinois, Hawaii, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands and limited areas of Florida and California. Retailers have already been instructed to remove the affected brands and products from store shelves. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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## Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

## Cargill Animal Nutrition Recalls River Run and Marksman Dry Dog Food

Contact:

Consumer: 855-460-1532

Media: Tim Loesch 952-742-6910

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - December 6, 2011 - Cargill Animal Nutrition today announced a voluntary recall of two regional brands of its dry dog food - River Run and Marksman - due to aflatoxin levels that were detected above the acceptable limit. The affected products were manufactured at Cargill's Lecompte, Louisiana, facility between Dec. 1, 2010, and Dec. 1, 2011. No illnesses have been reported in association with these products to date, and no other Cargill Animal Nutrition pet food products are involved in this recall. Affected products are:

- PROFESSIONAL FORMULA RIVER RUN HI-NRG 24-20 Dog Food, 50 pound bags
- RIVER RUN PROFESSIONAL FORMULA 27-18 Dog Food, 50 pound bags
- RIVER RUN 21% Protein Dog Food, 40 and 50 pound bags
- RIVER RUN Hi-Pro No-Soy Dog Food, 40 and 50 pound bags
- MARKSMAN DOG FOOD 24% Protein 20% Fat, 40 pound bags
- MARKSMAN DOG FOOD 20% Protein 10% Fat, 40 and 50 pound bags
- MARKSMAN DOG FOOD 28% Protein 18% Fat, 40 pound bags

The recall only applies to the above products with the following Packaging Date Codes (lot numbers): 4K0335 through 4K0365, LL0335 through LL0365, 4K1001 through 4K1335 and LL1001 through LL1335.

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While no adverse health effects related to these products have been reported, Cargill is implementing this recall as a precautionary measure. Consumers are urged to return affected products – whether in opened or unopened packages — to their place of purchase for a full refund. For more information, including photos of products involved, consumers can go to www.cargill.com/feed/dog-food-recall<sup>4</sup> or call toll free 855-460-1532.

Aflatoxin is a naturally occurring mold by-product. Pets that have consumed any of the above recalled products and exhibit symptoms of illness including sluggishness or lethargy combined with a reluctance to eat, vomiting, yellowish tint to the eyes or gums, or diarrhea should be seen by a veterinarian.

## About Cargill

Cargill is an international producer and marketer of food, agricultural, financial and industrial products and services. Founded in 1865, the privately held company employs 138,000 people in 63 countries. Cargill helps customers succeed through collaboration and innovation, and is committed to applying its global knowledge and experience to help meet economic, environmental and social challenges wherever it does business. For more information, visit Cargill.com<sup>5</sup> and its news center<sup>6</sup>.