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DATE: Feburary 17, 2011

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: Gold Star Sausage Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Class II Recall; chili products because they contain an undeclared allergen, soy, which is not declared on the label; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by USDA, the products being recalled may have been distributed in the State of Indiana. The products subject to recall were distributed to food service distribution centers nationwide for further distribution to restaurants. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Colorado Firm Recalls Chili Products Due to Mislabeling and an Undeclared Allergen

Recall Release
FSIS-RC-010-2011

CLASS II RECALL
HEALTH RISK: LOW

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 16, 2011 – Gold Star Sausage, a Denver, CO establishment is recalling approximately an undetermined of chili products because they contain an undeclared allergen, soy, which is not declared on the label. Soy is a known allergen.

The following products are subject to recall: [Labels (PDF Only)]

- 16 oz. plastic containers of "Johnson's Chili"
- 16 oz. plastic containers of "Johnson's Chili, Hot & Spicy"

Each package bears the establishment number "1106" inside the USDA mark of inspection as well as a packaging date.

The products were packaged in Colorado from Feb. 15, 2010 to Feb. 15, 2011, and shipped to wholesalers nationwide. The recall covers all products produced in that timeframe by the company.

The problem was discovered by FSIS during a routine label review, when it was determined that the label read lecithin, not "soy lecithin" as it should. FSIS and the company have received no reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about a reaction should contact a healthcare provider.

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.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact the company's President, Rick Rue at (303) 295-6400 ext. 302.

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.

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