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DATE:

March 15, 2011

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** 

Nestle Prepared Foods Company Recall

## **SUGGESTED**

**ACTION:** 

Class II Recall; Lean Cuisine frozen spaghetti and meatball entrees that may contain foreign materials; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by USDA, the product being recalled may have been distributed in the State of Indiana. The spaghetti and meatball products were packaged on Oct. 25, 2010, and shipped to distributors and retail stores east of the Rocky Mountains. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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## South Carolina Firm Recalls Spaghetti And Meatball Entrees That May Contain Foreign Materials

Recall Release FSIS-RC-021-2011 CLASS II RECALL HEALTH RISK: LOW

Congressional and Public Affairs (202) 720-9113 William Bagley

**WASHINGTON, March 14, 2011 -**Nestle Prepared Foods Company, Gaffney, S.C., establishment, is recalling approximately 10,260 pounds of frozen spaghetti and meatball entrees that may contain foreign materials, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The products subject to recall include: [View Label]

 9.5-oz. packages of "Lean Cuisine Simple Favorites, Spaghetti with Meatballs." The packages bear the establishment number "P-7991" and the case code "0298595519P" and a best before date of November, 2011 printed on the side of the package, underneath the ingredient listing. The spaghetti and meatball products were packaged on Oct. 25, 2010, and shipped to distributors and retail stores east of the Rocky Mountains.

The problem was discovered after the company received complaints from consumers in Minn., S.D. and Wisc., upon finding hard plastic in the product. FSIS has not received any reports of injury at this time. Anyone concerned about an injury from consumption of this product should contact a healthcare professional.

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.

Media with questions about the recall should contact Roz O'Hearn, Manager of Marketing Communications at (440) 264-5170. Consumers may call Nestle26 at (866) 606-8264.

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 I0 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.

