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DATE:

August 6, 2012

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gillam, MBA, CP-FS

Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Reichel Foods Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Class I Recall; Approximately 15,880 pounds of ready-to-eat meat and poultry products due to possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by USDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the State of Indiana. The products were shipped to distribution centers in Indiana, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, and Texas. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Minnesota Firm Recalls Ready-To-Eat Meat and Poultry Products Due To Potential *Listeria Monocytogenes* Contamination

Recall Release FSIS-RC-053-2012 CLASS I RECALL HEALTH RISK: HIGH

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WASHINGTON, August 5, 2012 – Reichel Foods, a Rochester, Minn. establishment, is recalling approximately 15,880 pounds of ready-to-eat meat and poultry products due to possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The products subject to recall include: [View Labels (PDF Only)]

- 5.6 oz. packages of "Armour Active Packs Turkey & Cheese Wrap" Package Code 1026090112 or Case Code 27815-17994
- 5.6 oz. packages of "Armour Active Packs Ham & Cheese Wrap" Package Code 1026090112 or Case Code 27815-17995

All the products were produced between July 23, 2012, and July 26, 2012, and have a "sell by" date through Sept. 1, 2012. The packages bear the establishment number "P-19941" or "Est. 19941" inside the USDA mark of inspection. The products were shipped to distribution centers in Indiana, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, and Texas. When available, the retail distribution list will be posted on FSIS' website at www.fsis.usda.gov/ FSIS_Recalls/ Open_Federal_Cases/ index.asp.

The problem was discovered by the establishment, through microbiological testing by a third party. FSIS and the company have not received reports of illnesses due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an illness 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 Karin Grzanek of Reichel Foods at (866) 372-2609.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at AskKaren.gov or via smartphone at m.askkaren.gov. "Ask Karen" live chat services are available Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET. 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.