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**DATE:** March 5, 2012  
**TO:** All Local Health Departments  
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer  
**FROM:** A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS  
Director, Food Protection Program  
**SUBJECT:** Pasou Foods Recall

**SUGGESTED**

**ACTION:** Class II Recall; Approximately 147 pounds of frozen, fully cooked, ready-to-eat pizza stick products recalled because a meat ingredient used in the product may have been produced without the benefit of federal inspection. Products subject to recall: Boxes containing 100 "Pizza Stix", case labels bear the establishment number "EST. 1903". 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. Detailed information is not available at this time. If any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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**Indiana Firm Recalls Ready-To-Eat Pizza Stick Products Produced Without Benefit of Inspection**

Recall Release **CLASS II RECALL**  
FSIS-RC-012-2012 **HEALTH RISK: LOW**

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**WASHINGTON, March 2, 2012** - Pasou Foods, a Syracuse, Ind. establishment, is recalling approximately 147 pounds of frozen, fully cooked, ready-to-eat pizza stick products because a meat ingredient used in the product may have been produced without the benefit of federal inspection, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced today.

The following products are subject to recall:

- Boxes containing 100 "Pizza Stix."

Case labels bear the establishment number "EST. 1903" in the USDA mark of inspection and may have been produced this year on Feb. 2 and Feb. 29. The products were sold to a food distributor for further

distribution to a caterer and other institutions in Indiana.

The problem was discovered during an ongoing food safety assessment of the company. As part of that assessment, FSIS personnel determined that a raw ground pork ingredient used by the company in its ready-to-eat pizza sticks was purchased from an unapproved source whose raw pork products may not have been federally inspected.

FSIS has received no reports of illness due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an illness should contact a health care 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 recalled product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumer and media questions regarding the recall can contact George Pavel, a company representative, at 574-457-4092.