



DATE: July 26, 2013
TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer
FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Director, Food Protection Program
SUBJECT: Gold Star Smoked Fish Corp Recall [Food]

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; Gold Star Smoked Fish Corp., located at 570 Smith Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231, is recalling Rybacka Wies Brand Herring Fillets In Oil "Matjes Sledz w oleju" due to contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*. The recalled product is packaged in 17.64oz/500 grams plastic containers and has an expiration date of 10/31/13 stamped on the back of the container. The UPC Number is 021 143241228. Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the State of Indiana. Products was sold nationwide. Detail store information is not available at this time. Consumers should not consume the product and should return it to the place of purchase. Consumers with any questions may contact the company directly at 718-522-5480. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-8475.

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.

Gold Star Smoked Fish Corp. Issues an Alert on Listeria in Rybacka Wies Brand Herring Fillets in Oil "Matjes Sledz w oleju"

Contact:

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - July 25, 2013 - Gold Star Smoked Fish Corp., located at 570 Smith Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231, is recalling Rybacka Wies Brand Herring Fillets In Oil "Matjes Sledz w oleju" due to contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Listeria monocytogenes can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy persons may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

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The recall was initiated after routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis of the product by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes*.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. Consumers who purchased Rybacka Wies Brand Herring Fillets in Oil "Matjes Sledz w oleju" should not consume it and should return it to the place of purchase. Consumers with any questions may contact the company directly at 718-522-5480.

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