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State Health Commissioner

DATE: February 22, 2013

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

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: Kaytee Products Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; Several bird treats and greens items due to possible contamination of *Salmonella* from parsley flake ingredients supplied to Kaytee by Specialty Commodities, Inc.; Information is provided in case of consumer inquiry.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the neighboring State of Illinois, Michigan and Ohio. Recalled products were distributed to retailers and distributors in the states of Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin; and, into the countries of Canada, China, Guam, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Pakistan, Singapore, and the UAE.

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.

Kaytee Recalls Bird Treats and Greens Due to Possible *Salmonella* Contamination from Parsley Flakes

Contact:
Consumer:
Kaytee
1-800-Kaytee1 (800 529-8331)

Media:
Mark Newberg
847-330-5367

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - February 19, 2013 - Kaytee Products is recalling several bird treats and greens items due to possible contamination of *Salmonella* from parsley flake ingredients supplied to Kaytee by Specialty Commodities, Inc., an outside supplier to Kaytee.

Product Code/SKU/ Material #	UPC Code	Size	Product Name/Description	Best Before Code (day/month/yr)
100032244	7185940410	2 lb	Kaytee Fiesta Max Canary/Finch	9/28/2013 through 5/7/2014
100032881	7185900431	3.5 oz	Kaytee Honey Treat - Parakeet	12/6/2013 through 5/29/2014
100032922	7185955027	7 oz	Kaytee Honey Treat - Parakeet (Value Pack)	12/4/2013 through 8/2/2014
100032982	7185900434	3.5 oz	Kaytee Honey Treat - Parakeet	12/6/2013 through 8/2/2014
100502615	7185999885	3.5 oz	Kaytee Fiesta Fruit & Veggie Treat - Parakeet	1/15/2014 through 7/24/2014
100502749	7185999855	9.5 oz	Kaytee Fiesta Fruit & Veggie Treat - Parakeet	12/18/2013 through 7/31/2014
100502937	7185994235	3.5 oz	Kaytee Forti-Diet ProHealth Honey Treat - Parakeet	12/5/2013 through 7/17/2014
100502940	7185994236	7 oz	Kaytee Forti-Diet ProHealth Honey Treat - Parakeet (Value Pack)	12/4/2013 through 8/1/2014
100503001	7185994268	4 ct	Kaytee Forti-Diet ProHealth Munchables Shred-A-Box Honey Seed Treats (4 Boxes)	3/7/2014 through 7/30/2014
100503064	7185994264	11 oz	Kaytee Forti-Diet ProHealth Molting & Conditioning - Small Birds	12/25/2013 through 8/5/2014
100503808	7185955027	7 oz	Kaytee Honey Treat - Parakeet (Value Pack)	12/6/2013 through 7/31/2014
100504021	7185994368	2.25 oz	Kaytee Fiesta Nutty Papaya Treat - Parakeet & Cockatiel	12/4/2013 through 6/25/2014
100504029	7185994370	1.5 oz	Kaytee Fiesta Foraging Treat for Pet Birds	1/27/2014 through 5/29/2014
100504971	73725727166	3.2 oz	Great Choice Treat Sticks for Small Birds (2 sticks)	12/13/2013 through 2/4/2014
100504974	73725727165	9.6 oz	Great Choice Treat Sticks for Small Birds (6 sticks)	12/10/2013 through 3/19/2014
100506593	7185994615	1.5 oz	Kaytee Foraging Box O'Fun Treat for Pet Birds	1/28/2014 through 7/30/2014
100510282	7185994708	1 oz	Kaytee Bird Greens Foraging	12/1/2013 through

Product and product lots that do not appear on the list above are not subject to this recall.

No human or pet illnesses have been reported to-date. The recall notification is being issued based on a recall letter dated February 11, 2013 from Specialty Commodities, Inc. The above-referenced Kaytee products were originally manufactured as early as June 12, 2012. While Kaytee has not had any positive *Salmonella* results on finished product to suggest possible contamination, we are initiating this recall in accordance with FDA guidelines. Kaytee is taking immediate action to remove the potentially affected product from all retail stores and distribution centers.

Salmonella can affect animals eating the products and there is a risk to humans from handling contaminated pet products. Pet owners should thoroughly wash their hands after having contact with these products and clean any surfaces that were exposed.

Healthy persons exposed to *Salmonella* should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomit, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping, and fever. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections, endocarditis, arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary track symptoms. Consumers exhibiting these symptoms after having contact with these products should contact their physician or healthcare provider.

Pets with *Salmonella* infections may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting. Some pets will have only decreased appetite, fever and abdominal pain. Infection but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed the recalled product(s) and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.

Recalled products were distributed to retailers and distributors in the states of Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin; and, into the countries of Canada, China, Guam, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Pakistan, Singapore, and the UAE.

Consumers who have purchased the above-referenced Kaytee products with the referenced "Best Before" dates are urged to contact Kaytee Customer Service representatives.

A letter and instructions will be forwarded to all Kaytee customers. Kaytee Customer Service representatives and company veterinarians are responding to inquires through the 1-800-Kaytee1 (800 529-8331) phone number and will answer any questions regarding pets that have been fed the product. Pet owners can also visit the Kaytee website for more information <http://www.kaytee.com/>¹.