



**Indiana State  
Department of Health**  
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State Health Commissioner

**DATE:** January 22, 2013

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

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

**SUBJECT:** Knott's Fine Foods, Inc. Recall

**SUGGESTED**

**ACTION:** Unclassified Recall; 3 ounce Chicken Salad Sandwiches with an expiration date of 1/29/13 and earlier because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*; Information is provided in case of a consumer inquiry.

From the information provided by FDA, the products being recalled were distributed in the neighboring State of Kentucky. The recalled Chicken Salad Sandwiches were distributed in West Tennessee, Western Kentucky and North Mississippi in 35 retail stores.

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**Recall -- Firm Press Release**

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**KNOTT'S FINE FOODS RECALLS CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICHES BECAUSE OF  
POSSIBLE HEALTH RISK**

**Contact:**  
Consumer:  
Leland Jones  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - January 21, 2013 - Knott's Fine Foods, Inc. of Paris, TN, is voluntarily recalling its 3 ounce Chicken Salad Sandwiches with an expiration date of 1/29/13 and earlier because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, Listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

The recalled Chicken Salad Sandwiches were distributed in West Tennessee, Western Kentucky and North Mississippi in 35 retail stores.

The product comes in a 3 ounce black wedge with clear plastic film closure. UPC code is 0-11984-01132-6. All expiration dates 1/29/13 and earlier are being recalled. The expiration date is located on an orange sticker on the clear film of the package.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The potential for contamination was noted after routine testing by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in 1 – 3 oz. Chicken Salad Sandwich.

No other Knott's Foods products were found to be affected.

The production of the product has been postponed while the FDA and the company continue to investigate the source of the problem.

Consumers who have purchased any of the above mentioned Knott's Chicken Salad Sandwiches are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-731-642-1961 Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm CST.

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