



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SECTION

EHS Circular Letter #2011-12

To: Local Directors of Health
Chief Sanitarians
Certified Food Inspectors

From: Tracey Weeks, TMMS, RS; Food Protection Program

Date: March 7, 2011

Subject: Recall of Skippy® Reduced Fat Peanut Butter Spread Due To Possible Contamination of Salmonella

Unilever United States, Inc. today announced a limited recall of Skippy® Reduced Fat Creamy Peanut Butter Spread and Skippy® Reduced Fat Super Chunk Peanut Butter Spread, because they may be contaminated with *Salmonella*. The recall is being conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). **No other Skippy® products are affected by this recall.**

The product was distributed to retail outlets in several states including **Connecticut**, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and New York. (See attachments for complete list)

The affected product, which is packaged in 16.3 oz plastic jars, is as follows:

UPCs: 048001006812 and 048001006782 (located on the side of the jar's label below the bar code.)

Best-If-Used-By Dates: MAY1612LR1, MAY1712LR1, MAY1812LR1, MAY1912LR1, MAY2012LR1 and MAY2112LR1 (Stamped on the lid of the jar.)

To date, no illnesses related to this issue have been reported. The recall was initiated as the result of a routine sampling program by the company, which revealed bacteria in some of the products.

This notice is provided so that local health departments are aware of the recall if inquiries from the public are received. Due to the potential for disease, local health departments are advised to share this notice with food establishments in their respective jurisdictions (prioritizing health care facilities, schools, and daycare facilities) and ask about the product during routine inspections.

Consumers who have believe they may have become ill from the product should be referred to their physician for evaluation and follow-up. Local health departments should use the Foodborne Alert Form to record single complaints of illness with a note that it may be related to the recalled product.

The Department of Consumer Protection, (DCP) Food & Standard Division is aware of the recall and can be contacted at 860-713-6160 for additional information and follow-up.

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