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(BCHD09-780) Public Health Info - Recall of Pet Treats

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Please review the following message from Alan Talarsky, Environmental Scientist 1, Food and Drug Safety Program, DHSS regarding the following Class 1 Recall issued by the U S Food and Drug Administration.

Pet Carousel has initiated a recall of all Pig Ears and all varieties of Beef Hoof pet treats because the products may be contaminated with Salmonella. The problem was discovered after FDA testing found positive results for Salmonella in pig ears and beef hoof products.

These products were recalled because they have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella. Salmonella can affect both humans and animals. People handling dry pet food and/or pet treats can become infected with Salmonella, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the treats or any surfaces exposed to these products.

Healthy people infected with Salmonella may experience some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping and fever. Although rare, Salmonella can result in more serious ailments including arterial infections, endocarditis (inflammation of the lining of the heart), arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms. Consumers exhibiting these signs after having contact with this product should contact their health care provider immediately.

Pets with Salmonella infections may become lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever and vomiting. Some pets may only experience a decreased appetite, fever and abdominal pain. Infected, but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed any of the affected products or is experiencing any of these symptoms, contact your veterinarian immediately.

The following products have been recalled: The affected pig ear products were packaged under the brand names Doggie Delight, Pork Tasteez and Pet Carousel

Item No.: * 18100-P Bulk * 18016-P 10-pk red mesh bag * 18120-P 20-pk red mesh bag

The affected beef hooves were packaged under the brand names Choo Hooves, Dentley's, Doggie Delight, and Pet Carousel

Item No :

- * 1506-K 5 lb bulk
- * 12125-T 10-pk vinyl bag
- * 12122-T 10 lb., bulk
- * 1405-S 5 lb., bulk
- * 1420-S 20 lb., bulk
- * 90058-H Chccsc/& Bacon Stuffed Hoof, bulk
- * 90056-H Peanut Butter Stuffed Hoof, bulk
- * 17005-R Rope toy with Hooves
- * 1507-K 10 lb. bulk
- * 12110-T 10-pk, vinyl bag
- * 1503-K 3-pk, vinyl bag
- * 1408-S 10-pk, vinyl bag
- * 1520-K 20 lb. bulk
- * 12111-T 10-pk, vinyl bag
- * 1510-K 10-pk, vinyl bag
- * 1410-S 10 lb., bulk

The products were distributed nationwide in both bulk and retail packaging for sale in pet food and retail chain stores throughout the country. All sizes and all lots of these pork ears purchased on or after 08/16/2009 and all beef hoof products in all varieties purchased on or after 09/16/2009 made by Pet Carousel are included in this alert

Pet Carousel has completed notifying its consignees and requested the consignees return affected products and remove them from retail sales. Consumers who have purchased the products described above should cease use and return the product to their place of purchase. Additionally, consumers with questions may contact Pet Carousel at 800-231-3572 from 8:00am to 4:00pm PST.

For additional information regarding warnings and recalls, please click on the weblink below.

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