

Kimchi Recall Due to Potential Health Hazard

July 15, 2021 - The Kane County Health Department is advising that 5000 Years Foods, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois is recalling various types of Kimchi because it has the potential to be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes.

The products are: Sliced Cabbage Kimchi, Whole Cabbage Kimchi, Julrado Whole Cabbage Kimchi, Julrado Sliced Cabbage Kimchi, No Msg Whole Cabbage Kimchi, No Msg Sliced Cabbage Kimchi, No Msg Julrado Whole Cabbage Kimchi, No Msg Julrado Sliced Cabbage Kimchi, White Kimchi, and Baby Napa Kimchi.

The recalled product was distributed in Illinois where the product was further distributed and it reached customers through distributors to retail stores potentially nationwide. The recalled product was sold in 5-gallon plastic tubs, and 128 oz, 64 oz, 32 oz, & 16 oz glass jars under the 5000 Years Foods brand name with code information "09052021" through "09252021" printed on the top of the lid.

Listeria monocytogenes is 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.

No illnesses have been reported to date. The recall was the result of sampling by the FDA that found Listeria monocytogenes in the production facility.

Consumers who have purchased the recalled products should not consume them, and are urged to dispose of them or return them to the place of purchase for a refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-773-509-8600. (Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

For more information, and information on product details, visit https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/5000-years-foods-increcall-cabbage-kimchi-because-possible-health-risk

The Kane County Health Department has an abundance of information about food safety online at KaneHealth.com/Pages/Food-Safety.aspx.

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