



Michigan Apples Recalled Due to Possible Listeria Contamination

October 29, 2019 - The Kane County Health Department is advising that North Bay Produce, Inc. of Traverse City, Michigan is voluntarily recalling 2,297 cases and 2 bulk bins of fresh apples due to the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Recalled varieties include McIntosh, Honeycrisp, Jonathan, Fuji, Jonamac and Red Delicious apples. Recalled apples were sold in plastic bags under the brands; Great Lakes, North Bay Produce Pure Michigan as well as unbranded in clear plastic tote bags, white paper tote bags, and individually from retailers display trays. The recalled apples were shipped between October 16th, 2019 and October 21st, 2019 from one North Bay facility to wholesalers, retailers and brokers in Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, North Carolina, Texas and Wisconsin. Apples purchased at retail prior to October 16th are not affected by this recall, and no other North Bay Produce products are affected by this recall. There are no illnesses linked by health officials to this recall.

Consumers can identify the recalled product by the following product descriptions and photos at <https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/north-bay-produce-voluntarily-recalls-fresh-apples-because-possible-health-risk>. Anyone who has the recalled product in their possession should not consume it. The product should be discarded or returned to the place of purchase.

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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.

Consumers with questions may call 1-231-929-4001, Monday-Friday, 8am – 5pm Eastern Time, or visit www.northbayproduce.com

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

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