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Smucker Foods recalls flour products due to possible E. Coli contamination

The Kane County Health Department is advising that Smucker Foods of Canada Corp., of Markham, ON Canada, in collaboration with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), is voluntarily recalling specific production codes of flour products in the U.S. due to possible *E. coli* 0121 contamination.

There are no reported illnesses to date associated with the U.S. products recall, but the products were distributed nationwide to 19 distributors and two small retailers.

The impacted products are packaged in 20 lb. paper bags and were produced by Ardent Mills in Saskatoon, SK Canada. Additional flour and flour products have been voluntarily recalled in Canada in cooperation with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency as part of their ongoing *E. Coli* investigation. No other Smucker Foods of Canada Corp. products distributed in the U.S. are affected by this recall.

Some strains of *E. coli* create potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea and dehydration. Although most healthy adults can recover completely within a week, some people can develop a form of kidney failure called Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS). HUS is most likely to occur in young children and the elderly and those with compromised immune systems. The condition can lead to serious kidney failure and even death. Any consumers concerned about an illness should contact a physician.

If you have any of the products listed <u>here</u>, please dispose of them immediately. Consumers with impacted products are urged to contact the company at 1-888-569-6728 Monday through Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM ET for a product replacement coupon.