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## Piller's Fine Foods recalls products due to possible salmonella contamination

The Kane County Health Department is advising that Piller's Fine Foods, a Waterloo, Canada, establishment, is recalling approximately 1,076 pounds of ready-to-eat salami and speck products that may be adulterated with *Salmonella*.

There have been no confirmed reports of illness due to consumption of these products; however the items were shipped to distribution centers in Illinois and other states. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) discovered the problem when a sample of the ready-to-eat salami product was confirmed positive for *Salmonella*.

The following products are subject to recall: [View Labels (PDF only)]

- Vacuum-sealed random weight plastic packages containing "Black Kassel Piller's Dry Aged D'Amour Salami" with Best Before date of May 12, 2018
- Vacuum-sealed random weight plastic packages containing "Black Kassel Piller's Dry Aged Speck Smoked Prosciutto" with Best Before date of May 12, 2018.

Consumption of food contaminated with *Salmonella* can cause salmonellosis, one of the most common bacterial foodborne illnesses. The most common symptoms of salmonellosis are diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and fever within 12 to 72 hours after eating the contaminated product. The illness usually lasts 4 to 7 days. Most people recover without treatment. In some persons, however, the diarrhea may be so severe that the patient needs to be hospitalized. Older adults, infants, and persons with weakened immune systems are more likely to develop a severe illness. Individuals concerned about an illness should contact their health care provider. FSIS and the company are concerned that some product may be frozen and in consumers' freezers.

Consumers who have purchased these products are urged not to consume them. These products should be thrown away or returned to the place of purchase. Media and consumers with questions can contact Piller's Fine Foods, at (519) 743-1412 ext. 240.