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## California Olive and Vine announces voluntary recall of Pumpkin Seed Pesto

The Kane County Health Department is advising residents that California Olive and Vine, LLC of Sutter, CA is taking precautionary measures and voluntarily recalling Pumpkin Seed Pesto because of irregular lab results. The company found that the jarred pesto may have been improperly processed, making it susceptible to contamination with *Clostridium botulinum*.

This food product was distributed under the Williams-Sonoma label, nationwide, since September 2014. The product labels have the SKU numbers 6404305, 6389043, and are sold in 8 ounce glass jars. The company has made the deliberate decision to recall this product to ensure the safety of their customers. The company has not been notified of any illness associated with this product.

Ingestion of botulism toxin may lead to serious illness and death. To date, there have been no reports of any illnesses or contamination of the product. Symptoms from Botulism are as follows: general weakness, dizziness, double vision and trouble with speaking or swallowing. Difficulty in breathing, weakness of other muscles, abdominal distention and constipation may also be common symptoms. People experiencing these problems should seek immediate medical attention.

Consumers who have purchased the recalled Pumpkin Seed Pesto are urged to dispose of the product or return it to the place of purchase for a refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company (530) 822-7996 Monday through Friday between 10am and 4pm.