



RECALL NOTIFICATION

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Florida Firm Recalls Ground Beef Products Due to Possible *E. coli* O157:H7 Contamination

Recall Release FSIS-RC-047-2007

**CLASS I RECALL
HEALTH RISK: HIGH**

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 24, 2007 - Blue Ribbon Meats, a Hialeah, Fla., establishment is voluntarily recalling approximately 8,200 pounds of frozen ground beef products because they may be contaminated with *E. coli* O157:H7, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced today.
The products subject to recall include: [Attached]

- 10-pound boxes of "WESPAK B.R.'S BRAND SEASONED BEEF PATTIES FOR SALISBURY, 80/20."
- 10-pound boxes and 20-pound cases of "JNS FOODS, LLC, B.R.'S BRAND SEASONED BEEF PATTIES FOR SALISBURY, 80/20."
- 10-pound boxes and 20-pound cases of "JNS FOODS, LLC, BEEF PATTIE MIX, 80/20."
- 10-pound boxes and 20-pound cases of "JNS FOODS, LLC, BEEF PATTIES, 80/20."
- 10-pound boxes and 20-pound cases of "JNS FOODS, LLC, MEATLOAF SEASONED BEEF PATTIES, 80/20."

Preparing Ground Beef For Safe Consumption

USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHOTLINE or visit www.fsis.usda.gov

Although the product(s) being recalled should be returned to the point of purchase, consumers preparing other ground beef products should heed the following advice.

Consumers should only eat ground beef patties that have been cooked to a safe temperature of 160 °F. When a ground beef patty is cooked to 160 °F throughout, it can be safe and juicy, regardless of color.

The only way to be sure a ground beef patty is cooked to a high enough temperature to kill harmful bacteria is to use an accurate food thermometer.

Color is not a reliable indicator that ground beef patties have been cooked to a temperature high enough to kill harmful bacteria such as *E. coli* O157:H7.

Eating a pink or red ground beef patty without first verifying that the safe temperature of 160

°F has been reached is a significant risk factor for foodborne illness.

Thermometer use to ensure proper cooking temperature is especially important for those who cook or serve ground beef patties to people most at risk for foodborne illness because *E. coli* O157:H7 can lead to serious illness or even death. Those most at risk include young children, seniors, and those with compromised immune systems.

Each case or box bears the establishment number "Est. 451A" inside the USDA mark of inspection. Each case or box bears a date code of "2577," "2647" or "2707." Each case or box bears an "ingredients" statement that includes "textured vegetable protein" or "defatted soy grits."

The frozen beef products were produced between Sept. 14 and Sept. 27, 2007, and were sent to a distributor intended for a correctional institution in Florida and to a distributor intended for a subsequent distributor in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

The problem was discovered by Creekstone Farm (Est. 27), an Arkansas City, Kan., establishment that supplies the recalling company and inadvertently shipped product that they had on hold. FSIS has received no reports of illnesses associated with consumption of these products.

Media and consumers with questions about the recall should contact company vice president Ira Bregman at (305) 887-7534.

E. coli O157:H7 is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea and dehydration. The very young, seniors and persons with compromised immune systems are the most susceptible to foodborne illness.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at AskKaren.gov. The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.

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USDA Recall Classifications	
Class I	This is a health hazard situation where there is a reasonable probability that the use of the product will cause serious, adverse health consequences or death.
Class	This is a health hazard situation

II	where there is a remote probability of adverse health consequences from the use of the product.
Class III	This is a situation where the use of the product will not cause adverse health consequences.

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 80/20 PHONE: 813.641.3663

BEEF PATTIE MIX

INGREDIENTS: Beef, water, Textured Vegetable Protein Product, Soy Flour, Seasoning: (Salt, Hydrolyzed Corn & Soy Protein, Spices, Sugar, Onion & Garlic, Dextrose, Natural Flavor, Autolyzed Yeast, Spice Extract).

#3562 PIECES NET WGT.
 2/10# 20 LBS



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3565 SIZE PIECES NET WGT.
 4 OZ 40 10 LBS



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80/20 **MEAT LOAF**
SEASONED BEEF PATTIES

INGREDIENTS: Beef, Water, Textured Vegetable Protein Product, Soy Flour, Defatted soy grits, salt, milk, spices.

#3505 SIZE PIECES NET WGT.
 4 OZ RD 40 10 LBS



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**B.R.'S BRAND
SEASONED BEEF PATTIES
FOR SALISBURY**

INGREDIENTS: Beef, Water, Textured Vegetable Protein Product, Soy Grits,
Dehydrated onions, pepper, hydrolyzed plant protein, salt, dextrose, spices.

#3505

SIZE
4 OZ OVAL

PIECES
40

NET WGT.
10 LBS



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**B.R.'S. BRAND
SEASONED BEEF PATTIES
FOR SALISBURY**

Ingredients: Beef, water, deflated soy grits, dehydrated onions,
pepper, hydrolyzed plant protein, salt, dextrose, spices.

SIZE
3/4 RD

PIECES
30

NET WT.
10 LBS