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To: Health Commissioners, Environmental Health Directors, Nursing Directors, ODA Food Safety Specialists, and Other Interested Parties

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Jenny Craig Announces Nationwide Voluntary Recall of Jenny's Cuisine® Anytime Peanut Butter Flavor Nutritional Bars Due to Possible Peanut Corporation of America (PCA) Contamination and Potential Health Risk

No Cases of Illness Reported

Carlsbad, CA – Jenny Craig, Inc. one of the nation's leading authorities on weight management, today announced a voluntary recall of its Jenny's Cuisine® Anytime Peanut Butter Flavor Nutritional Bars (UPC Code 655447009347) for U.S and P.R. distribution with the following BEST BEFORE DATES: MAY1209ALO, MAY1209BLO, MAY2409BLO, MAY2509BLO, MAY2509ALO, MAY2609ALO, & MAY2609BLO, because the product contains peanut butter which was manufactured by Peanut Corporation of America (PCA), which is the focus of an ongoing Salmonella investigation by the United States Food & Drug Administration (FDA). PCA is one of the suppliers of peanut ingredients to the company's contracted manufacturer.

There have been no cases of illness or adverse effects reported by any Jenny Craig customers, and no other products within the Jenny Craig food portfolio, including those made with peanut butter or other peanut ingredients are affected by this recall. No Salmonella contamination has been detected in the Jenny Craig Anytime Peanut Butter Flavor Bars. This voluntary recall is in line with FDA recommendations, and Jenny Craig has removed all products within existing inventory.

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis. For more information on Salmonella, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at www.cdc.gov (or call 1-800-232-4636).

"The health and safety of our clients are our number one concern," said Amy Armish, Director of Food Technology and Quality Assurance, Jenny Craig, Inc. "We are communicating directly with our clients and consultants and are urging all clients who have purchased or are in possession of this product to immediately destroy them. Clients seeking a replacement bar are being asked to visit their Jenny Craig centre or call their Jenny Craig consultant and a replacement bar will be issued in its place or an adjustment made to their next order."

The Anytime Peanut Butter Flavor Nutritional Bars were distributed directly to clients through Jenny Craig centres or the at-home Jenny Craig Direct program. The Anytime Peanut Butter Flavor Nutritional Bar is not available in other retail stores, and not sold under any other name. Clients having further questions or concerns may contact their local Jenny Craig centre or call 1-800-JennyCare.