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Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2009-45a10

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Max Muscle USA Conducts Voluntary Recall on Whey Protein Products Due to Possible Health Risks

Anaheim, CA – July 3, 2009 – Max Muscle Sports Nutrition has issued a voluntary recall for Max Muscle products containing whey protein concentrate due to potential Salmonella contamination. This is an extension of the voluntary recall being conducted by one of the company's suppliers, Plainview Milk Products Cooperative.

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. Max Muscle has not received any reports of illness related to the whey protein concentrate.

The products being recalled include 7 products and 101 lots. The products in question were manufactured in January and February of 2009, and distributed nationwide beginning in January of 2009. Only the products and lot numbers listed in the table below.

Max Muscle has provided information on the voluntary recall to its Chain of Franchises and retail customers nationwide who purchased the specific lots regarding this voluntary recall via fax, phone or mail. Max Muscle has notified the FDA of its actions and is fully cooperating with the Agency.

Customers are advised not to consume any of these products and should return them to the store where they were purchased for a full refund. Consumers with additional questions may call the Max Muscle Customer Service Department at 1-888-MAX-MUSCLE (1-888-629-6872), Extension 119, during normal business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Pacific Standard Time).

Max Gourmet	Lot #
Chocolate Banana Cream	194644004-00909-1
Chocolate Banana Cream	194644004-01209-2
Chocolate Banana Cream	000194004-02809-1
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	194674002-01009-1
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	194674002-01009-2
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	194674002-01209-3
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	194674002-01209-4
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	194674002-01209-5
Chocolate Fudge Brownie	000224002-02809-1
Peanut Butter	194664006-00909-1

Peanut Butter	194664006-01209-1
Peanut Butter	000214006-02909-1
Vanilla Caramel	000204006-02809-1
Strawberry	000234001-02809-1
<u>Max Gourmet Gainer</u>	
Chocolate	00001402-02909-1
Chocolate	00001402-02909-2
Chocolate	00001402-03609-1
Chocolate	00001402-03609-2
Vanilla	000024000-03609-1
Vanilla	000024000-03509-1
Strawberry	000034001-02909-1
Strawberry	000034001-03609-1
<u>Max Lean</u>	
Chocolate	194703002-01409-1
Chocolate	194703002-01409-2
Vanilla	194713000-01309-1
Strawberry	194723001-01309-1
<u>High Five</u>	
Pineapple Banana	19461502-01409-1
Pineapple Banana	19461502-01409-2
Pineapple Banana	19461502-01409-3
Pineapple Banana	19461502-05409-1
Pineapple Banana	19461502-05409-2
Banana	19652501-05509-1
Chocolate	19459506-01509-1
Chocolate	19459506-01509-2
Chocolate	19459506-01509-3
Chocolate	19459506-01509-4
Chocolate	19459506-01609-5
Chocolate	19459506-01609-6
Chocolate	00015506-03309-1
Chocolate	00015506-03309-2
Chocolate	00015506-03309-3
Chocolate	00015506-03309-4
Cappuccino	19458505-01609-1
Orange	19358504-01409-1
Orange	19358504-01409-2
Strawberry	19456203-01509-1
Strawberry	19456203-01509-2
Strawberry	19456203-01509-3
Strawberry	19456203-01509-4
Strawberry	1965750305509-1
Strawberry	1965750305609-2
Strawberry	1965750305609-3
Vanilla	19658500-05409-1
Vanilla	19463500-01209-2
Vanilla	19463500-01309-3
Vanilla	19463500-01309-4
Vanilla	19463500-01309-5
Vanilla	19658500-05409-2
Vanilla	19658500-05509-3
Vanilla	19658500-05509-4

Vanilla	19658500-05509-5
Vanilla	19658500-05409-1
Big Max 50	
Chocolate	19444009-01609-1
Chocolate	19444009-01609-2
Chocolate	19444009-01609-3
Chocolate	19444009-01609-4
Chocolate	19444009-01609-5
Chocolate	19444009-01609-6
Chocolate	19444009-01609-7
Chocolate	19444009-01609-1
Chocolate	19444009-01609-2
Chocolate	19444009-01609-3
Vanilla	19446008-01309-1
Vanilla	19446008-01309-2
Vanilla	19446008-01309-3
Vanilla	19446008-01309-4
Vanilla	19446008-01309-5
Strawberry	19449010-01509-1
Strawberry	19449010-01509-2
Strawberry	19449010-01509-3
Strawberry	19449010-01509-4
Triple Whey	
Chocolate	194875001-02009-1
Chocolate	194875001-02009-1
Chocolate Cream	000335001-03009-1
Chocolate Cream	194875001-02109-3
Chocolate Cream	194875001-02109-4
Chocolate Cream	194875001-02109-4
Strawberry Cream	000345000-03009-1
Vanilla Cream	000335002-03009-1
Max Pro	
Natural Vanilla	00028611-03509-1
Natural Vanilla	00028611-03509-2
Vanilla,	00027606-03509-1
Vanilla	00027606-03509-2
Vanilla	00027606-03509-3
Vanilla	00027606-03509-4
Vanilla	00027606-03509-5
Vanilla	00027606-03509-6
Banana	00024609-03509-1
Banana	00024609-03509-2
Strawberry	0002603-04109-1
Orange Blast	00029608-03509-1