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

Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2010-22a12

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GNS Foods Voluntarily Recalls Snack Mixes Containing Honey Mustard/Onion Pretzels from National Pretzel Co. associated with Hydrolyzed Vegetable Protein (HVP) recalled by Basic Food Flavors, Inc. because of the potential Salmonella contamination

March 8, 2010 - Arlington, TX - GNS Foods, Inc. is announcing a voluntary recall of mixes containing certain pretzels. The products contain the ingredient Hydrolyzed Vegetable Protein (HVP) being recalled by Basic Food Flavors because of the potential to contain salmonella. The manufacturer of these pretzels, National Pretzel Co. of San Francisco, CA, used this flavoring, and is voluntarily recalling its related pretzel products. GNS is voluntarily recalling snack mixes which include these pretzels.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections, particularly in young children, the elderly, and persons with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and/or abdominal pain. For more information, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website at www.cdc.gov.¹

To date, no complaints or illnesses have been reported associated with the products listed below.

Consumers who recently have purchased the items listed below should not consume these products and should return them to the store of purchase for a full refund or replacement.

The items below were sold after January 26th, 2010 in six states through retail stores located in LA, MO, NM, OK, TX, WV.

This voluntary recall involves the following items:

12oz Bags of Honey Mustard Pretzels under the Great Nut Supply brand with a UPC code 726093 77132 and a Lot/Code of 61150/0280.

10oz Plastic Jars of Honey Mustard Pretzels under the brand Spec's Wines & Fine Foods with a UPC code 000008 98072 and a Lot/Code of 61181/0330 or 210462/0320.

1 lb Bags of Bar Mix under the Great Nut Supply brand with a UPC code 726093 77111 and a Lot/Code of 61147/0260.

26oz Plastic Jars of Bar Mix under the brand Spec's Wines & Fine Foods with a UPC code 000008 03247 and a Lot/Code of 61190/0330 or 210462/0320.

12oz Plastic Tub of Bar Mix under the brand Rouses Louisiana's Best with a UPC code 015418 00319 and a Lot/Code of 60998/0120.

10oz Plastic Jars of Honey Cheddar Mix under the brand Spec's Wines & Fine Foods with a UPC code 000008 98049 and a Lot/Code of 61183/0330 or 210462/0320.

Consumers or customers who have questions about the above recall may contact GNS Foods toll-free at 800-882-6887 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm CST Monday through Friday. Additional information is available at www.gnsfoods.com