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DT: July 29, 2011

TO: Health Commissioners, Directors of Environmental Health and Interested Parties

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2011-083

### **Ohio Firm Recalls Jerky Products Due To Misbranding And An Undeclared Allergen**

WASHINGTON, July 28, 2011 – Curly's Custom Meats, a Jackson Center, Ohio establishment is recalling approximately 33 pounds of teriyaki-flavored beef jerky products because of misbranding and an undeclared allergen. The products contain an undeclared allergen, wheat, derived from a spice blend, which is not noted on the label.

The products subject to recall include:

- 4-oz. packages of "Curly's Meats Beef Jerky Hickory Smoked-Teriyaki Flavor."
- 8-oz. packages of "Curly's Meats Beef Jerky Hickory Smoked-Teriyaki Flavor."
- 16-oz. packages of "Curly's Meats Beef Jerky Hickory Smoked-Teriyaki Flavor."

Products also bear the establishment number "EST. 27486" inside the USDA mark of inspection and package code 11077 or 1182. The products, which have a six-month shelf life, were produced on March 17, 2011 and June 30, 2011 and available through direct internet sales or at the company's adjacent retail store.

The problem was discovered by an FSIS inspector July 26, 2011 during a label review at the establishment. FSIS and the company have received no reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about a reaction should contact a healthcare provider.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumers and media with questions about the recall should contact the company's owner/president, Larry Edwards, at (937) 596-6518.

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.