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

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2013-012

Tropical Nut and Fruit Co. Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Peanuts in "Chia Recharged Stix Mix" 5 Ounce Pouches

January 28, 2013 - Tropical Nut and Fruit Co, Orlando Florida is voluntarily recalling five lots of snack mix "Chia ReCharged Stix Mix" 5 ounce pouches because they may contain undeclared peanuts. People who have allergies to peanuts run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume this product.

The recalled "Chia ReCharged Stix Mix" 5 ounce pouches were distributed between June 6 th, 2012 to October 23 rd, 2012 to wholesalers and in retail stores nationwide.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this recall.

Item Name: "Chia ReCharged Stix Mix" 5 ounce stand up resealable plastic pouches.

UPC Code: 0 94184 01014 6

Affected lot numbers are stamped on master case. 12 pouches make up a case and the lot numbers are as follows:

052112, 060512, 071712, 080212, 081612

Affected packages can be identified by the best before date stamped on the back of the pouches above the bar code. These best before date are from 01/20/13 to 04/17/13.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that the peanut-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of peanuts. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary break down in the company's production and packaging processes.

Consumers who are in possession of 5 ounce pouches of "Chia ReCharged Stix Mix" with the lots numbers or best before dates listed above are urged to contact Tropical Nut and Fruit Co. by calling 1-800-749-8869 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST.