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DATE: December 16, 2013  
TO: Health Commissioners, Directors of Environment Health and Interested Parties  
RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2013-142

**Blooming Import Inc. Issues an Alert on Undeclared Sulfites in Farmer Brand Dried Lily Flowers**

December 13, 2013 - Blooming Import Inc at 45 Bowne Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231 is recalling **Farmer Brand Dried Lily Flowers** because they contain undeclared sulfites. People who have severe sensitivity to sulfites run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reactions if they consume this product.

The recalled **Farmer Brand Dried Lily Flowers** comes in 8oz clear plastic bags with the following UPC Code 734765040895. The product was sold nationwide. Product of China.

The recall was initiated after a routine sampling by NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis of the product by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of sulfites in packages of Farmer Brand Dried Lily Flowers which did not declare sulfites on the label. The Consumption of 10 milligrams of sulfites per serving has been reported to elicit severe reactions in some asthmatics.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. Consumers who have purchased **Farmer Brand Dried Lily Flowers** should return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 718-625-6868, Kent Tan, Blooming Import Inc.