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ODA ISSUES PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT FOR MEAT AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Reynoldsburg, OH (August 27, 2014) -- The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) is issuing a public health alert for an undetermined amount of various meat and poultry products produced by Tank’s Meats, Inc., located at 3355 State Route 51 S., Elmore, Ohio, 43416. Consumers should be aware that meat and poultry products were misbranded and/or produced without the benefit of inspection. Products subject to this alert include:

- Raw Corned Beef
- Cooked Corned Beef
- Beef Pastrami
- Andouille Sausage (Bulk and Rope)
- Italian Sausage with Cheese and Whole Fennel (Bulk and Rope)
- Knockers
- Garlic Knockers
- Elmore Special Roll
- Smoked Italian Sausage with Mozzarella Cheese
- Deli Dinner Ham
- Hungarian Style Hot Dogs
- Cooked Salami
- Smoked Pork Loin
- Smoked Pork Loin Chops
- Smoked Bratwurst and Cheddar Cheese
- Smoked Pork with Barbeque Sauce

Labels include the Tank’s Meats, Inc. label, a complete or incomplete ingredient statement, and the facility’s establishment number (Est. 76) inside the Ohio mark of inspection.

Products subject to this alert were distributed to various retail and restaurant type locations, including but not limited to Tank’s Meats, Inc. retail, which is connected to this establishment. ODA is encouraging anyone who has a meat or poultry item subject to this alert to discard it.

There have been no reports of illness involving products addressed in this alert. Individuals exhibiting signs or symptoms of foodborne illness are encouraged to contact a physician immediately. Consumers with questions about food safety can contact the ODA’s Division of Meat Inspection at 614-728-6260.

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