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

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2016-54

CVS Pharmacy Announces Voluntary Recall of Gold Emblem Aboard Organic Spiced Herbal Tea Due to Possible Health Risk

April 24, 2016 - CVS Pharmacy® announced today that it has voluntarily recalled select cases of Gold Emblem Aboard™ Organic Spiced Herbal Tea following notification from the manufacturer that the product is potentially contaminated with Salmonella. An ingredient produced by the manufacturer's raw material supplier tested positive for Salmonella in another company's product. CVS Pharmacy's Gold Emblem product also contains this ingredient.

The product is labeled "Gold Emblem Aboard Organic Spiced Herbal Tea 1.41 oz" and was packed in 1.4 oz cartons. The recalled product has a single best by date of 18 Mar 2018 with a UPC code 0 50428 541043. No other best by dates are affected. The product was available at CVS Pharmacy stores nationwide.

Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Approximately 200 units of the recalled product were sold prior to this recall. The Company is not aware of any reported cases of illness to date related to this product and it has issued this voluntary recall as a matter of precaution.

CVS Pharmacy has removed the affected products from its stores and the manufacturer has notified the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. A "do not sell" block has also been placed in the Company's store register system to prevent further sale of these recalled items.

Any customer who purchased the recalled product should immediately discontinue use and return the item to CVS Pharmacy for a refund. For additional information, please contact the Company at 1-800-SHOP-CVS Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM ET.