

Governor
John R. Kasich**Lieutenant Governor**
Mary Taylor**ODA Director**
David T. Daniels**ODH Director**
Richard Hodges

DATE: May 3, 2016

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

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2016-59

Giant Eagle Voluntarily Recalls Walnut Delight and Pecan Tassie Cookies Due to an Undeclared Milk Allergen

All lots of Giant Eagle brand Walnut Delight and Pecan Tassie cookies prepared and sold from the Bakery department inside Giant Eagle and Market District supermarkets with sell by dates through May 3, 2016 have been voluntarily recalled by Giant Eagle due to an undeclared milk allergen. People who have an allergy or severe sensitivity to milk run the risk of a serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products. The product is safe for consumption by those who do not have milk allergies.

Approximately 44,000 purchases containing the potentially affected Pecan Tassies and 290 purchases containing the potentially affected Walnut Delights were made in Giant Eagle and Market District supermarkets in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland and Indiana. There are no reported illnesses to date associated with this recall.

The Walnut Delights were sold in packages of six in plastic clam shells with a PLU of 69690. The Pecan Tassies were also sold in packages of six in plastic clam shells with a PLU of 77997, but were also included in small, medium and large cookie trays with PLUs of 9793, 9794 and 9795 respectively. All affected items were sold in the Bakery department.

Giant Eagle became aware of the issue for both items after a quality assurance review of the ingredient declaration. The product label for the bakery items, which contain milk, omitted milk as an allergen.

Customers with a milk allergy who have purchased the affected product should dispose of it or return it to their local Giant Eagle or Market District store for a refund. Customers with questions may call Giant Eagle Customer Care at 1-800-553-2324 Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST.

In addition to this public communication regarding this recall, Giant Eagle initiated its consumer recall telephone notification process. The consumer recall process uses purchase data and consumer telephone numbers housed in the Giant Eagle Advantage Card® database to alert those households that purchased the affected product and have updated telephone contact information in the database.