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DATE: June 13, 2016
TO: Health Commissioners, Directors of Environment Health and Interested Parties
RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2016-60a26

Post Consumer Brands Voluntarily Recalls Limited Quantity of Great Grains Protein Blend – Honey, Oats & Seeds Cereal Due to Possible Listeria Contamination

June 3, 2016 - Lakeville, MN – Post Consumer Brands is voluntarily recalling a limited quantity of its Great Grains Protein Blend – Honey, Oats & Seeds cereal because it contains sunflower seeds that have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*. The sunflower seeds were obtained from a supplier, SunOpta, which recalled its ingredient.

Listeria monocytogenes is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

No illnesses have been reported to date, but Post Consumer Brands is recalling the products out of an abundance of caution.

The recalled items were sold in packaging similar to the image below and can be identified by a "Best when used by" code printed on the top of the box. Only the following codes are affected by this recall:

AUG1416	NOV1016
AUG1516	NOV1116
AUG1616	NOV1216
AUG1716	FEB1817
NOV0916	FEB1917

Recalled products were distributed to customers throughout the United States and sold through retail stores nationwide. No other Post products are affected by this action.

Consumers should not consume these products. Products may be returned to the point of purchase for a refund or discarded. Consumers seeking information can visit the website, www.postconsumerbrands.com/greatgrains or contact the company at 1-800-431-7678 Monday through Friday, 9:00AM – 5:00 PM Eastern time.