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DATE: May 10, 2016

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

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2016-65

### **World Class Distribution Issues Voluntary Recall on Kale & Edamame Salad Due to Possible Health Risk**

May 10, 2016 - WCD Kitchen, LLC of Fontana, California is voluntarily recalling Trader Joe's Kale & Edamame Salad (UPC 00967112), sold only in the Midwest, with a "USE BY May 05, 2016 through May 14, 2016", because the product may be contaminated with *Salmonella*. No illnesses have been reported to date.

*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.

The 3,763 salads possibly affected were distributed to Trader Joe's stores located in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio and Wisconsin. No other lots, products or stores are affected.

The salad is packaged in 10 oz. plastic clamshell and the "Use By" Date is stickered on the front of the label. See photos below.

The voluntary recall was initiated by WCD Kitchen, LLC immediately after it was informed by the Kale supplier, Pearson Foods Corporation, that the Kale tested positive for the food-borne illness.

Customers who have purchased the Kale & Edamame Salad may return it to Trader Joe's for a full refund. Customers with questions may contact the company at 1-909-574-4140, 8 AM – 4:30 PM, PST, Monday-Friday.