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Memorandum

To: Long Term Care Facilities
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From: Laura M. Miller, RS
Chief, Environmental Health Division

Date: January 15, 2009

Re: King Nut Peanut Butter Product Recall
Involves Austin and Keebler Brands of Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers

The Milford Health Department has been informed that on January 10, 2009, King Nut Companies, a distributor of peanut butter manufactured for them by Peanut Corporation of America, announced a recall of peanut butter distributed under the King Nut label. It was determined that an open 5-lb tub of peanut butter tested positive for *Salmonella Typhimurium*, the positive sample was matched to the current multi-state *salmonella* outbreak affecting 42 states.

The affected peanut butter was distributed by **City Line Distributors, of West Haven, CT.**

- Products include 5-pound tubs of creamy peanut butter with a lot # beginning with 8.
- Individual tubs of product do not have a label indicating the lot #. Cases, which contain 6 tubs in total, do have a label that states the lot code #.
- **Only lots beginning with 8 are included in the current recall.**

Any customer who has received a 5-pound tub of King Nut creamy peanut butter from City Line Distributors check the lot # to determine if it is associated with the recall. If a lot # cannot be determined by existing labeling, it is recommended to immediately discontinue use of the product.

Additionally, on January 14, 2009, Kellogg Company announced, as a precautionary measure, that they are putting a "hold" on the following products that use peanut paste manufactured by Peanut Corporation of America and are encouraging consumers to hold and not eat these products until regulatory officials complete their investigation and Kellogg provides further information.

- Austin and Keebler brands of Toasted Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers, Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Crackers, Cheese and Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers, and Peanut Butter-Chocolate Sandwich Crackers.

Anyone with questions about the recall should contact the company's recall information hotline at 888-314-2060, the CT Department of Consumer Protection Food and Standards Division at (860) 713-6160 or the Milford Health Department at 783-3287.