

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 22, 2009 Contact: Dr. Bob Gerlach, state veterinarian, 907-375-8214

## Nutro cat food recall

## DEC warns consumers of excessive zinc in product

(Juneau, Alaska) The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is notifying the public of a voluntary cat food recall. Nutro Products has initiated a recall of Nutro Natural Choice and Nutro Max varieties; those with "best if used by" dates from May 12, 2010 to August 22, 2010 are affected. A full list of recalled items is below.

The recall is due to incorrect mixing of mineral supplements resulting in a product containing excess levels of zinc and lower levels of potassium.

The product was distributed in all 50 states, according to the company.

Consumers who have purchased the affected product should immediately stop feeding it to their cats. Nutro Products says it has received no complaints related to the recalled food, but cat owners who have fed it to pets should monitor them for symptoms including a reduction in appetite or refusal to eat, weight loss, vomiting or diarrhea. Owners of pets exhibiting such health issues, should contact their animal's veterinarian.

Consumers who have purchased this recalled product should return it to their retailer for a refund. Cat owners who have questions about the recall should call 1-800-833-5330 between the hours 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM CST, or visit <u>www.nutroproducts.com</u>.

## Nutro Products Recall List - Dry Cat Foods

U.S. Product Name	Bag	UPC
	Size	

NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	4 lbs	0 79105
Kitten Food		20607 5
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	8 lbs.	0 79105
Kitten Food		20608 2
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	9.2 lbs.	0 79105
Kitten Food (Bonus Bag)		20695 2
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	20 lbs	0 79105
Kitten Food		20609 9
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE® Kitten Food (Sample Bag)	1.5 oz	none
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	4 lbs	0 79105
Adult		20610 5
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	8 lbs.	0 79105
Adult		20611 2
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	9.2 lbs	0 79105
Adult (Bonus Bag)		20694 5
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	20 lbs	0 79105
Adult		20612 9
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	1.5 oz	none
Adult (Sample Bag)	1.0 02	none
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	4 lbs	0 79105
Adult Oceanfish Flavor		20622 8
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	8 lbs	0 79105
Adult Oceanfish Flavor	0 103	20623 5
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	0.2 lbs	0 79105
Adult Oceanfish Flavor (Bonus Bag)	0.2 103.	20698 3
NUTRO® NATURAL CHOICE® COMPLETE CARE®	20 lbs	0 79105
Adult Oceanfish Flavor	20 105	20624 2
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Adult Roasted Chicken Flavor	3 lbs	0 79105
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Adult Roasted Chicken Flavor	6 lbs	0 79105
NOT NOW WANG CALAUUIL NOASLEU CHICKEIT FIAVOI	0 105	10229 2
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Adult Roasted Chicken Flavor	16 lbs	0 79105
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Adult Roasted Chicken Flavor	1.5 oz	none
(Sample Bag)	0 11- 4	0.704.05
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Roasted Chicken	3 lbs	0 79105 10243 8
Flavor	0 11- 0	
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Roasted Chicken	6 lbs	0 79105
Flavor	40 11 -	10244 5
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Roasted Chicken	16 lbs	0 79105
Flavor		10245 2
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Roasted Chicken	1.5 oz	none
Flavor (Sample Bag)		
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Salmon Flavor	3 lbs	0 79105
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Salmon Flavor	6 lbs	0 79105
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Adult Salmon Flavor	16 lbs	0 79105
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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Weight Control	3 lbs	0 79105

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NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Weight Control	6 lbs	0 79105 10250 6
NUTRO® MAX® Cat Indoor Weight Control	16 lbs	0 79105 10251 3