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Expanded Salmonella Recalls Linked to Sunland, Inc. Nut Butter Products

Juneau, AK. – Two additional products have been added to the expanding list of recalled foods possibly containing Salmonella-tainted nut butter ingredients manufactured by Sunland, Inc. These recalled products should not be eaten. Consumers who have purchased any of these products should destroy them or return them to the place of purchase.

Late July Snacks, LLC is recalling Mini Peanut Butter Sandwich Crackers: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm322290.htm

View product labels: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm322370.htm

Xan Confections is recalling 13 of its gourmet peanut butter chocolate products: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm322285.htm

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 beginning 12-72 hours after infection. The illness usually lasts 4-7 days. 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.

Alaska DEC has confirmed these products were distributed to Alaska. To date, no illnesses have been reported from consumption of either product; however, there have been at least 30 reported cases of *Salmonella Bredeney* in 19 states attributed to the recalled products manufactured by Sunland, Inc.

A complete list of product recalls associated with the <u>Sunland</u>, <u>Inc. recall</u> can be found on the FDA website.

For more information on recalls affecting Alaskans, visit DEC's website: http://www.dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/recalls/recallsalerts.html