

## NEGATIVE RESPONSES NOT REQUIRED

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP) Consumer Safety Office (CSO) is releasing the following notice. If warranted, the CSO will initiate an ALFOODACT.

**SUBJECT: DSCP Alert 003-2007, South Carolina Firm Recalls Chicken Breast Strips For Possible *Listeria* Contamination**

**DSCP Issue Date: 20 February 2007**

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Recall Release  
FSIS-RC-012-2007

**CLASS I RECALL**

### **South Carolina Firm Recalls Chicken Breast Strips For Possible *Listeria* Contamination**

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 18, 2007** - Carolina Culinary Foods, a West Columbia, S.C., firm, is voluntarily recalling approximately 52,650 pounds of fully cooked chicken breast strips that may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced today.

The following product was manufactured for *Oscar Mayer* and is subject to recall:

6-ounce packages of "OSCAR MAYER/LOUIS RICH CHICKEN BREAST STRIPS WITH RIB MEAT, GRILLED, FULLY COOKED - READY TO EAT." The front of each package bears the establishment number "P-19676" inside the USDA mark of inspection. On the back of each package appears a "Use by" date of "19 Apr 2007." The code "19 APR 2007" appears on each case.

The chicken breast strips were produced on Jan. 9, 2007 and distributed to retail establishments nationwide.

The problem was discovered through microbiological testing completed by the Georgia Department of Agriculture. FSIS has received no reports of illnesses associated with consumption of this product.

Consumption of food contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* can cause listeriosis, an uncommon but potentially fatal disease. Healthy people rarely contract listeriosis. However, listeriosis can cause high fever, severe headache, neck stiffness and nausea. Listeriosis can also cause miscarriages and stillbirths, as well as serious and sometimes fatal infections in those with weakened immune systems, such as infants, the elderly and persons with HIV infection or undergoing chemotherapy.

Media with questions about the recall should call Oscar Mayer Representative Elisabeth Wenner at (847) 646-4271. Consumers with questions about the recall should contact Kraft Consumer Response at 800-871-7117.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at [AskKaren.gov](http://AskKaren.gov). The toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern time) Monday through Friday. Recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.



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**DSCP INSTRUCTIONS:**

- (1) Secure in a "Medical Hold" status to provide assurance of no further issue/sale/use of the item.
- (2) Return recalled product to manufacturer through the appropriate distribution channels.
- (3) Report positive findings to the Consumer Safety Officer at [Ramona.Martin@dla.mil](mailto:Ramona.Martin@dla.mil).
- (4) Unless otherwise specified above, **NEGATIVE RESPONSES** directly to DSCP are **NOT** required.
- (5) When corresponding with DSCP concerning this message please include this message's subject in your subject line.
- (6) The Point Of Contact for this Recall notice is CW4 Ramona Martin, Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-FTW. VOICE, DSN: 444-2905. Commercial (215) 737-2905, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

Any individual or office that would like to receive recall messages electronically can forward their email address to [Ramona.Martin@dla.mil](mailto:Ramona.Martin@dla.mil).

Previous recalls and frequently asked questions are available at the following web site:

<http://www.dscp.dla.mil/subs/proserv/alfood/afamess.htm>

The navigation tool to the left allows you to view DSCP Alerts and Archived Vendor Recalls also.

Very Respectfully,

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