



DATE: April 18, 2011

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM: 
A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
Director, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT: B&M, Inc. Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Unclassified Recall; Archer Farms Ground Turmeric sold at Target stores in glass bottles with a net weight of 2.6 oz. (74g), due to elevated levels of lead; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the product being recalled was distributed in the State of Indiana. The Archer Farms Ground Turmeric was distributed nationwide to Target retail stores located in the following states from June, 2009, to February, 2010: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, and WI. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Recall -- Firm Press Release

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

B&M, Inc. Conducts Voluntary Nationwide Recall Of 6 Lot Numbers Of Archer Farms Ground Turmeric Due To Excessive Lead Levels.

Contact:
1-877-321-5852

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - April 15, 2011 - B&M, Inc. of Mount Vernon, Missouri is voluntarily recalling Archer Farms Ground Turmeric sold at Target stores in glass bottles with a net weight of 2.6 oz. (74g), due to elevated levels of lead.

Lead can accumulate in the body over time. Too much can cause health problems, including delayed mental and physical development and learning deficiencies. Pregnant women, infants and young children especially should avoid exposure to lead. People concerned about blood lead levels should contact their physician or health clinic to ask about testing.

This voluntary recall is a result of notification from B&M, Incorporated's supplier that the Ground Turmeric they provided contained excessive levels of lead.

The Archer Farms Ground Turmeric was distributed nationwide to Target retail stores located in the following states from June, 2009, to February, 2010: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, and WI.

The product is identified at the retail store level as Archer Farms Ground Turmeric, UPC 0-85239-02612-0. The lot numbers included in this recall are 1740901A, Best By 6/23/2011; 2180902A, Best By 8/6/11; 2780906A, Best By 10/5/2011; 2920903A, Best By 10/19/11; 3060903A, Best By 11/2/2011; 0071003A, Best By 1/7/2012. The lot numbers and Best By dates can be found on the bottom of the bottle.

No other Archer Farms Brand spices have been affected by this voluntary recall.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this voluntary recall.

Consumers in possession of this voluntarily recalled product may return it to the store at which you purchased it. Consumers or media with questions should contact B&M, Inc. at 1-877-321-5852 (Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm CST) or contact Target Guest Relations toll-free at (800) 316-6151.

###

RSS Feed for FDA Recalls Information¹ [what's this?²]

Photo: Product Labels