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### Environmental Health Section

#### EHS Circular Letter 2012-71

**To:** Local Directors of Health  
Chief Sanitarians  
Certified Food Inspectors

**From:** Tracey Weeks, MS, RS  
Food Protection Program

**Date:** December 19, 2012

**Subject:** Ocean Beauty Seafoods LLC Recalls "Nathan's Brand Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon 3 oz" and "LASCCO Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon 4 oz"

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Ocean Beauty Seafoods LLC is voluntarily recalling 371 cases of ready-to-eat cold smoked salmon products because of possible contamination by *Listeria monocytogenes*.

*Listeria monocytogenes* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women. Anyone who is concerned about a possible health problem or illness should contact a healthcare provider immediately.

The recalled products, "Nathan's Brand 3oz Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon" (**Product of Chile**) and "LASCCO Cold Smoked Nova Atlantic Salmon 4 oz" (**Product of Chile**) were distributed to Stop and Shop locations within CT from 11/20/2012 through 12/12/2012. More detailed distribution information was not made available by the company.

Potentially affected product is limited to packages bearing the following codes:

BRAND	ITEM	UPC	PACK CODE	VOLUME
Lascco	4 oz Nova Salmon	0 72840 01751 7	285	96 cases
Nathan's	3oz Nova Salmon	0 73030 80368 2	285	275 cases



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Ocean Beauty Seafood's has indicated that it notified the retailers and distributors who may have received the affected product listed above.

The potential for contamination was noted after internal testing by the company revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in samples of the specific code dates identified above. Nathan's and Lascco brand products that do not have the specific package code identified above are not affected.

Consumers reporting illness should be advised to contact their primary care physician for proper follow-up and treatment. Local health department staff that receive calls from consumers with possible foodborne illness after consumption of this product should follow the usual procedure of completing the 3-page Foodborne Alert form and faxing it to the Food Protection Program within 24 hours at (860) 509-8071.

See the attached FDA recall notice and label photo for additional information.

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## Ocean Beauty Seafoods LLC Recalls "Nathan's Brand Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon 3 oz" and "LASCCO Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon 4 oz"

Contact  
Consumer:  
206-285-6800

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - December 14, 2012 - Ocean Beauty Seafoods LLC is voluntarily recalling 371 cases of ready-to-eat cold smoked salmon products because of possible contamination by *Listeria monocytogenes*.

The recalled products, "Nathan's Brand 3oz Cold Smoked Atlantic Salmon" (Product of Chile) and "LASCCO Cold Smoked Nova Atlantic Salmon 4 oz" (Product of Chile) were distributed to various retailers and distribution centers in WA, OR, CA, AZ, TX, CO, MA, NH, CT, RI, NJ, and NY from 11/20/2012 through 12/12/2012.

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Ocean Beauty Seafoods has notified the retailers and distributors who may have received the affected product listed above, and is taking this action as a precautionary measure in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. No other Ocean Beauty products are included in this action. There have been no complaints or illnesses reported in association with this recall.

The potential for contamination was noted after internal testing by the company revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in samples of the specific code dates identified above. Nathan's and Lascco brand products that do not have the specific package code identified above are not affected.

Consumers can identify if they have purchased an impacted product by looking at the package code date located in the back, top left corner of the package. Consumers who have affected product with the package codes identified above should not eat the product. Consumers should discard any open packages of affected product and should return unopened packages to the place of purchase for a refund.

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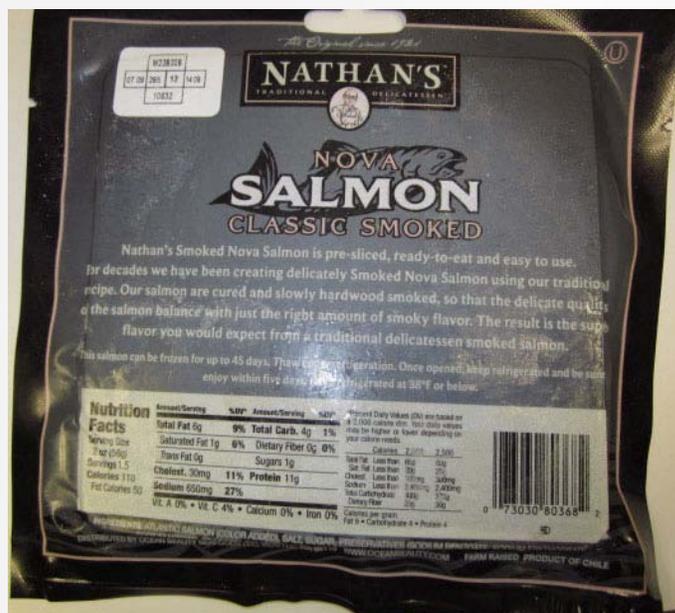
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