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To: Health Commissioners, Environmental Health Directors, Nursing Directors, ODA Food Safety Specialists, and Other Interested Parties

Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2009-84

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Pennsylvania Firm Recalls Cream of Mushroom Soup Product Due to Mislabeling and an Undeclared Allergen

WASHINGTON, Bay Valley Foods, LLC, a Pittsburgh, Pa. establishment, is recalling approximately 20,286 pounds of canned cream of mushroom soup because it was inadvertently mislabeled and may contain an undeclared allergen, egg, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced. Egg is a known potential allergen, which is not declared on the label.

The following product is subject to recall:

Cases containing 24 10.5-ounce cans of incorrectly labeled "Meijer Cream of Mushroom Reduced Sodium Condensed Soup." The product is marked with "BEST BY 08 07 11" that can be found on the bottom of the can and "51 P" inkjetted on the top. The soups may contain "Meijer Chicken Noodle Reduced Sodium Soup."

The soup products were produced on August 7, 2009, and were distributed to retail stores in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky.

The problem was discovered after a Meijer Store received a consumer complaint. FSIS has received no reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an allergic reaction should contact a physician.

FSIS routinely conducts recall effectiveness checks to verify recalling firms notify their customers of the recall and that steps are taken to make certain that the product is no longer available to consumers.

Consumer questions regarding the recall should be directed to Bay Valley Foods Consumer Response Department, at 1-800-236-1119. Media questions regarding the recall should be directed to Hill & Knowlton media contact, Ron Bottrell, at 312-446-6595.

Consumers with food safety questions can "Ask Karen," the FSIS virtual representative available 24 hours a day at 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.