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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) 2010-49

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**Pure Base Distribution Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Milk and Wheat in "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Concentrate" and "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Ready to Spread"**

June 25, 2010 - Pure Base Distribution, LLC of Ontario, CA is recalling its 4 ounce bottles of "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Concentrate" and 7 ounce bottles of "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Ready to Spread" items because they may contain undeclared milk and wheat. People who have allergies to milk and/or wheat run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products. If you or a member of your household is allergic to milk or wheat products, do not consume these products, but return them to your retailer for a full refund.

"Pure Base Garlic Spread - Concentrate" and "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Ready to Spread" were distributed nationwide in online and traditional retail stores.

The "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Concentrate" product comes in 4 ounce clear plastic bottles and "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Ready to Spread" comes in 7 ounce clear plastic bottles. Both items have lot numbers and Best By Date stamped at the top of their red cap. Affected Lot Numbers with their Best By Dates are as follows:

Pure Base Garlic Spread Concentrate:

92221, Best By 8/10/2010  
92391, Best By 8/27/2010  
92661, Best By 9/23/2010  
92921, Best By 10/19/2010  
93291, Best By 11/25/2010  
100341, Best By 2/3/2011  
100971, Best By 4/7/2011  
101181, Best By 4/28/2011

Pure Base Garlic Spread Ready to Spread:

92641, Best By 9/21/2010  
93021, Best By 10/29/2010  
93291, Best By 11/25/2010  
100391, Best By 2/8/2011  
101181, Best By 4/28/2011

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. Anyone concerned about an allergic reaction should contact a physician.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that the milk- and wheat-containing products were distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of milk and wheat on the label. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the company's production and packaging processes.

Distribution of the products has been suspended until the FDA and the company are certain that the products are properly labeled.

Consumers who have purchased 4 ounce bottles of "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Concentrate" and 7 ounce bottles of "Pure Base Garlic Spread - Ready to Spread" items are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-888-980-7474, ext 105, Monday through Friday 9 AM – 4 PM Pacific Standard Time.