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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) 2009-66

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Consumer Alert - Undeclared Sulfites in "Ziolopec Bakaliada Morele Suszone (Dried Apricots)"

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Patrick Hooker alerted consumers that Adamba Imports International, Inc., located at 585 Meserole Street, Brooklyn, NY is recalling "Ziolopec Bakaliada Morele Suszone (Dried Apricots)" due to the presence of undeclared sulfites. People who have severe sensitivity to sulfites may run the risk of serious or life-threatening reactions if they consume this product.

The recalled "Ziolopec Bakaliada Morele Suszone (Dried Apricots)" are packaged in a 4.64 ounce (130 gram), plastic bag and coded 06 2010, 081215V1C in black ink on the back of the package. The product was distributed nationwide and is a product of Poland.

Routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis of the product by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the product contained high levels of sulfites which were not declared on the label. The consumption of 10 milligrams of sulfites per serving has been reported to elicit severe reactions in some asthmatics. Anaphylactic shock could occur in certain sulfite sensitive individuals upon ingesting 10 milligrams or more of sulfites.

No illnesses have been reported to date to this Department in connection with this product. Consumers who have purchased "Ziolopec Bakaliada Morele Suszone (Dried Apricots)" should contact Adamba Imports at 718-628-9700.