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**To:** Emily Paris;
**Subject:** FW: Recall Notice: McCormick & Company Initiates Recall Due to Possible Health Risk from HVP Ingredient, March 5, 2010
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Feeding America has requested that this notice be sent out to agencies. Thanks.

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**From:** Feeding America National Office [mailto:communication@feedingamerica.org]
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Recall -- Firm Press Release

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## McCormick & Company Initiates Recall Due to Possible Health Risk from HVP Ingredient

For information contact:
McCormick Corporate Communications: John McCormick 410-771-7110

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - March 5, 2010 - Sparks, MD - McCormick & Company, Incorporated (NYSE:MKC) is initiating a recall of products manufactured with HVP (hydrolyzed vegetable protein) supplied by Basic Food Flavors of Las Vegas, Nevada, because the ingredient has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella.

"Consumption of products containing *Salmonella* can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms) endocarditis and arthritis."

To date, no illnesses have been associated with these McCormick products. For updated information, go to the CDC and FDA websites.

Recalled products were distributed nationwide and sold in retail stores. Two of the recalled products were also distributed for sale in international markets. The following products are being recalled.

McCormick French Onion Dip Mix sold in 0.53-ounce packages, shipped nationwide and outside the U.S.

| McCormick French Onion Dip Mix<br>Under UPC code 52100168609<br>"BEST BUY" Dates |
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| OCT 06 11 \| OCT 07 11 \| NOV 03 11 \| NOV 06 11 \| DEC 04 11 \| JAN 04 12 \| JAN 23 12 |

McCormick Vegetable Dip Mix sold in 1.25-ounce packages, shipped nationwide.

| McCormick Vegetable Dip Mix<br>Under UPC code 52100063850<br>"BEST BUY" Dates | | |
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| JUN 08 11 | JUL 09 11 | JUL 28 11 |

McCormick Onion Gravy Mix sold in 0.87-ounce packages, shipped nationwide and outside the U.S.

| McCormick Onion Gravy Dip Mix<br>Under UPC code 52100098807<br>"BEST BUY" Dates | | | |
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| OCT 08 11 | OCT 11 11 | OCT 17 11 | OCT 18 11 |
| NOV 01 11 | NOV 03 11 | NOV 15 11 | NOV 17 11 |
| DEC 01 11 | DEC 02 11 | DEC 28 11 | DEC 29 11 |
| JAN 22 12 | JAN 23 12 | JAN 26 12 | JAN 30 12 |
| FEB 12 12 | FEB 13 12 | | |

McCormick Corn Bread Stuffing sold in 42-ounce (2 lb. 10 oz.) containers, shipped to Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Pennsylvania.

| McCormick Corn Bread Stuffing<br>Under UPC code 5210057199<br>Product Codes | | |
|---|---|---|
| 4519BH | 4520BH | 5019BH |

Contact the McCormick Consumer Hotline at 1-800-632-5847 or consumer_affairs@mccormick.com for a replacement or reimbursement. Live assistance is available on the Hotline from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday and 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. EST on Saturday and Sunday.

- We believe that none of the products being recalled were processed or offered through the national office.
- We strongly encourage you to notify your agencies within one business day from receipt of this notice.
- ALL cased and uncased inventories, both at the member level and agency level, need to be checked. This product may have entered member and agency warehouses through salvage, local donations, TEFAP, local purchases, retail pickups, food drives, or other avenues.
- For additional local details, please contact the Health Department(s) for the area(s) your food bank serves.

For full details on the recall, please visit: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm203339.htm

If you have questions, please contact William Hellman, Director of Food Safety, at whellman@feedingamerica.org or 312.641.6875.

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About Feeding America Recall Notices

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If you or a colleague from a network food bank wish to subscribe or unsubscribe to the recall notification list, please click on 'manage your subscription" at the bottom of this email.
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