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### **Cargill has advised AFS of a Class I Recall of Fresh and Frozen Ground Turkey Products**

Salt Lake City, UT (August 4, 2011) – Cargill Value Added Meats has announced a **Class I** voluntary recall of fresh and frozen ground turkey products (80%, 85% and 93% lean) today, August 3rd, 2011, due to possible contamination with *Salmonella* Heidelberg. The company stated “All recalled products were produced at our Springdale, AR plant (Establishment P-963) between February 20th, 2011 and August 2nd, 2011.”

Associated Food Stores immediately initiated our recall process which includes contacting our warehouse, member retailers and corporate owned stores. Due to the serious nature of a Class I recall, phone calls were placed to all stores and notices were immediately posted on our internal communications systems. Consumer notices are being placed throughout our stores to notify our guests of this issue.

Steve Johnson, AFS Recall Coordinator, says “We have three people who are employed full time to track any food safety issues and most often we learn about potential problems before the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) releases any information to the public. The safety of our guests is our highest priority.”

For more information and complete details regarding the recall, please visit [www.cargill.com/turkey-recall](http://www.cargill.com/turkey-recall) or call 1-888-812-1646.

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Associated Food Stores is an independent retailer-owned warehouse based in Salt Lake City, Utah, which provides products and services to more than 500 grocers throughout the Intermountain West. Associated Food Stores can be found on the internet at [www.afstores.com](http://www.afstores.com).

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