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Cargill has advised AFS of a Class I Recall of Ground Turkey Products

Salt Lake City, UT (September 11, 2011) – Cargill has initiated a precautionary voluntary and limited ground turkey recall based on one confirmed USDA test sample at its Arkansas facility. As a precautionary measure, Cargill Value Added Meats Retail, a business unit of Wichita-based Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation, announced an immediate Class I voluntary recall of approximately 185,000 pounds of 85-percent-lean fresh ground turkey products produced at the company's Springdale, Ark., facility on Aug. 23, 24, 30 and 31, 2011, due to possible contamination from Salmonella Heidelberg. Cargill is initiating this recall as a result of one confirmed test sample taken by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) during a post-August 3 recall review of the processing facility, which yielded low levels of the same Salmonella Heidelberg strain that appears to match the strain previously associated with human illness. **The products involved are Ground Turkey. All packages include Est. P-963 on the label.**

Associated Food Stores distributes only two of the five products affected in this recall. Our records indicate that AFS only received 15 cases of the product (UPC 642205-50920) and the stores that purchased the product were immediately notified and had the product pulled from the shelves.

For more information and complete details regarding the recall, please visit <http://www.cargill.com/turkey-recall/09112011-ground-turkey-recall-product-list/honeysuckle-white-ground-turkey/index.jsp>.

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