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Coconut-flavored frozen dessert recalled after tests find Listeria

OLYMPIA – Ca Rem #1 Ice Cream, SeaTac, is voluntarily recalling its coconut-flavored frozen dessert. The non-dairy dessert may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

The recall of the frozen dessert was initiated after routine sampling and analysis by the Washington State Department of Agriculture revealed the presence of *Listeria*. No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this product.

The Ca Rem #1 dessert is sold in 3 oz. un-coded plastic bags, primarily in Asian food markets and restaurants in western Washington and western Oregon. Consumers who have purchased Ca Rem #1 desserts should throw out the product and not eat it. Consumers with questions may contact the company at (206) 720-1887.

“We continue to work with the company to recall all product that is still in stores,” said Claudia Coles, manager of WSDA’s Food Safety Program. “We know that these desserts can stay in freezers for months, so families should take a second look at what they’ve been saving for a special treat.”

Food contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* may not look or smell spoiled. Consumption of food contaminated with these bacteria may cause listeriosis, a food-borne illness. Listeriosis can cause high fever, severe headache, neck stiffness and nausea. Pregnant women, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems are particularly at risk. Infected pregnant women may experience only a mild, flu-like illness, but infections during pregnancy can lead to premature delivery, infection of the newborn or even stillbirth.

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