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# Vulto Creamery Voluntarily Expands Their Recall of All Raw Milk Cheeses Because of Possible Listeria Monocytogenes Contamination

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Vulto Creamery, Walton, New York, is out of an abundance of caution expanded the recall to include all lots for four additional cheeses which include, by name the following: Andes, Blue Blais, Hamden & Walton Umber. In summary, Vulto Creamery has recalled the following eight cheese items: Heinennellie, Miranda,, Willowemoc, Ouleout, Andes, Blue Blais, Hamden & Walton Umber due to potential contamination of Listeria monocytogenes. Listeria monocytogenes is a bacterium which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, pregnant women and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea. Listeria infection can cause miscarriages, stillbirths and fetal infection among pregnant women.

The raw milk cheeses were distributed nationwide, with most being sold at retail locations in the Northeastern and Mid-Atlantic States, California, Chicago Illinois, Portland Oregon and Washington, D.C. Distribution. Product photos of all Vulto Cheese products being recalled along with a brief description are attached.

Testing results from the US Food & Drug Administration (FDA) and the New York Department of Agriculture and Markets identified Ouleout product contamination. The particular strain of *Listeria monocytogenes* found in the New York Department of Agriculture and Markets was found to be similar to the strain isolated from a cluster outbreak of *Listeriosis* responsible for 6 illnesses and 2 confirmed deaths.

Consumers that have any of these cheeses from Vulto Creamery should return the cheese to the purchase location for a refund. Food and cheese wholesalers and retailers with any Vulto Creamery cheeses on hand should immediately remove these products from common storage coolers and quarantine these cheeses in a secured area of a cooler. Any wholesaler or distributor that has **any** of the eight Vulto Creamery cheeses should contact Vulto Creamery to receive instructions on what to do with the cheese. No recalled cheese should be destroyed until Vulto Creamery has been notified and agrees.

The production and distribution of all cheese products have been suspended while FDA and the company continue to investigate the source of the problem.

Consumers with any questions or seeking additional information can call 607-222-3995 normal hours of operations (Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm ET) or send an email to <a href="mailto:vultocreamery@gmail.com">vultocreamery@gmail.com</a> (mailto:vultocreamery@gmail.com).

Link to Original Recall (/Safety/Recalls/ucm545716.htm).

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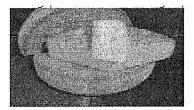
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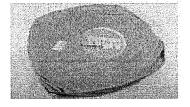
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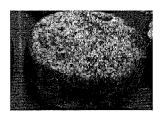
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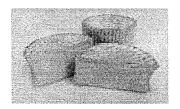
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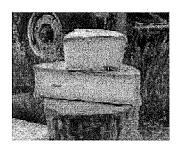


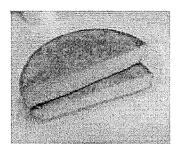


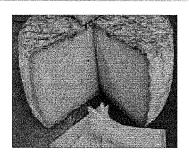














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