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Garden of Light Inc. Recalls Woodstock Organic Matcha Vanilla Oats Because of Possible Health Risk

For Immediate Release

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Contact

Consumers

Blue Marble Brands

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Garden of Light, Inc. dba Gluten Free Solutions of East Hartford, CT, is voluntarily recalling the Woodstock Organic Matcha Vanilla Oats, 1.8 oz. which is manufactured by Garden of Light for Blue Marble Brands. The product has the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, 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 and stillbirths among pregnant women. The recalled item, Woodstock Organic Matcha Vanilla Oats, was distributed nationwide in retail stores.

The product comes in a 1.8 oz. paperboard cup with a green laminated film lid. The UPC Code is 0-42563-01786-6. The product is marked with the Best Buy Date Code of "SELL BY MAY 11 2018" on the bottom of cup.

A second lot with the Best Buy Date Code of "SELL BY JUNE 23 2018" was intercepted before released to the general public.

The potential for contamination was noted after the ingredient supplier, Hudson Valley Farms(HVF), Inc. notified Garden of Light, Inc. of potential contamination of one of the ingredients. The potential contaminated ingredient was thoroughly tested and was negative for *Listeria*. No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. However, out of an abundance of caution, Garden of Light, Inc.

notified Blue Marble and is recalling the Woodstock Organic Matcha Vanilla Oats. The production of the product has been suspended while the company continues to investigate the source of the problem.

Consumers who have purchased 1.8 oz. cups are urged to destroy the product and bring the purchase receipt to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Blue Marble Brands at (888) 534-0246, M – F between 9 am and 5 pm, or at www.woodstock-foods.com (www.woodstock-foods.com).

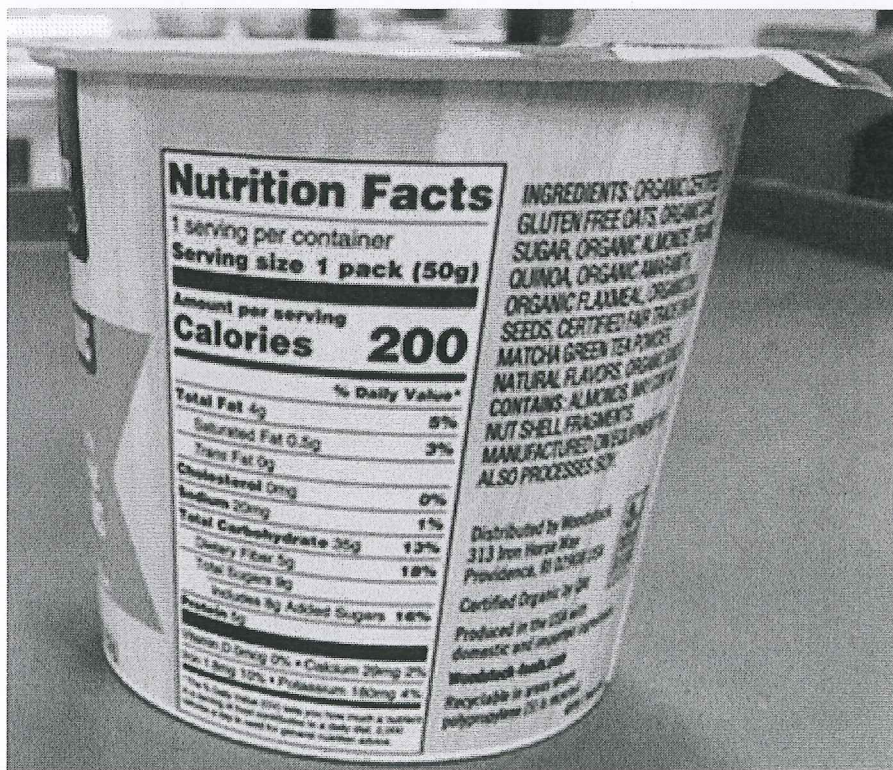
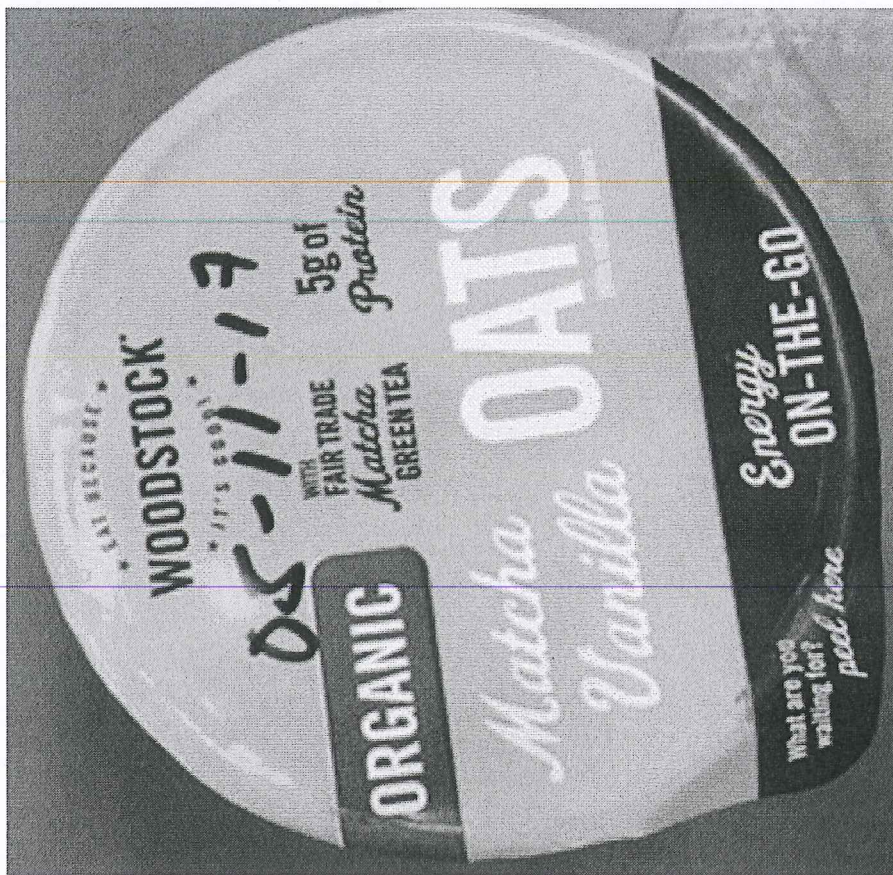
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