

## Recall -- Firm Press Release

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# J.J. Fuds, Inc. Expands Recall of Pet Food Because of Possible Health Risk

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** – February 4, 2015 – Valparaiso, IN – J.J. Fuds in Valparaiso, IN is expanding their recall to include all lots and products of J.J. Fuds Chicken Tender Chunks, Beef Tender Chunks and Duckling Tender Chunks Pet Food because it has the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* and or *Salmonella*, organisms 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. *Salmonella* can affect animals eating the products and there is risk to humans from handling contaminated pet products, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the products or any surfaces exposed to these products.

Healthy people infected with Salmonella should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping and fever. Rarely, Salmonella can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections, endocarditis, arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms. Consumers exhibiting these signs after having contact with this product should contact their healthcare providers.

Pets with Salmonella infections may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting. Some pets will have only decreased appetite, fever and abdominal pain. Infected but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed the recalled product and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.”

Animals’ ill with *Listeria* or *Salmonella* will display symptoms similar to the ones listed above for humans. People who have concerns about whether their pet has *Listeria* or *Salmonella* should contact their veterinarian.

The recalled products were distributed regionally in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois to wholesale and retail customers. The product can be identified by the batch ID code (manufactured date) and UPC code printed on the back of the individual plastic bag or on the master case label. These products are a frozen raw poultry or beef product (see **Safe Handling Instructions** on package) and have a shelf life of one year if kept frozen.

The recalled products are as follows:

**J. J. Fuds Premium Natural Blends; Chicken Tender Chunks,**

5 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345935 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All  
10 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345805 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All

**J. J. Fuds Premium Natural Blends: Beef Tender Chunks,**

5 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345942 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All  
10 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345757 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All

**J. J. Fuds Premium Natural Blends: Duckling Tender Chunks,**

5 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345928 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All  
10 lb. bags, Product UPC Number: 654592-345737 Manufacture/Lot Code Date: All

The recall was a result of a routine sampling program by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development resulting in a positive test for *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Salmonella*. The company has not received any reports to date of dogs experiencing nausea and diarrhea that may be associated with these specific products. The company has received no reports to date of human illness as a result of these products.

J.J. Fuds, Inc. will immediately start working with distributors and retailers to properly dispose of any affected product left on freezer shelves. The company will also be working with distributors and retailers to recall this product from pet owners to ensure the proper disposal of any affected product that has been purchased.

Not all products tested positive but J.J.Fuds is issuing this action out of an abundance of caution and sincerely regrets any inconvenience to pet owners as a result of this announcement.

The recalled products should not be sold or fed to pets. Pet owners who have the affected product at home should return to retailer for a refund and proper disposal. Consumers should be very careful in handling the recalled product to prevent the spread of contamination. Use a sealed bag or container when returning to the store for a refund.

For further information or questions regarding this recall, please contact us at [jffuds.com](http://jffuds.com) or by phone at 888-435-5873 Monday-Friday 8AM-4PM CST.

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