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### Wisconsin Firm Voluntarily Recalls Limited Lot of Frozen Pet Food

Carnivore Meat Company is voluntarily recalling a single limited lot of Vital Essentials Frozen Chicken Patties Entrée for Dogs. The Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) selected and tested product as part of a national collection initiative, which was issued by the Center of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) on June 3, 2015. The FDA notified Carnivore Meat Company that one of the samples collected, tested positive for Salmonella, bacteria commonly associated with fresh and frozen poultry, in human and in pet products. There have been no customer complaints reported. No other product manufactured by Carnivore is involved in this voluntary recall.

#### The single lot involved in this voluntary recall is:

Vital Essentials Frozen Chicken Patties Entrée for Dogs, Net wt. 6 lbs.  
 UPC 33211 00807, **Lot # 11475**, Best by date 20161108 (**11/08/16**)



The "Best By" date code and lot # is located on the back of the package.  
 The affected product was distributed in CA, FL, GA, RI, TX and WA.

If you are a consumer and have purchased a bag of Vital Essentials Frozen Chicken Patties, net wt. 6 lbs., with the "Best By" date code of 20161108 (11/08/16) and lot # 11475, we ask that you please call 920-370-6542 Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM CST and someone will assist you in obtaining replacement or a full refund from your local retailer for your original purchase. If your package has been opened, please dispose of the raw food in a safe manner by securing it in a covered trash receptacle.

#### Our Commitment to Quality

The company is fully committed to maintaining the highest quality standards in the pet food industry and ensuring the health and safety of pets. The firm's quality control and quality assurance programs include, but are not limited to: Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP's), Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures (SSOP's), a Hazard Analysis & Critical Control Points (HACCP) program, regular lot segregation, and other industry best practices. The manufacturing facility also adheres to these specific quality measures:

- FSSC 22,000 Certified (Global Food Safety Initiative)
- Federally Inspected, USDA Certified Pet Food
- EU Certified
- Ingredients sourced from USDA inspected facilities in the United States

#### Consumer Questions

Representatives are available from Monday - Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM CST at 920-370-6542.