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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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CUISINE INNOVATIONS UNLIMITED, LLC ISSUES VOLUNTARY RECALL OF TWO VARIETIES OF EARTH GROWN FROZEN FALAFEL DUE TO POSSIBLE HEALTH RISK

Cuisine Innovations Unlimited, LLC of 180 Lehigh Avenue, Lakewood, NJ, is voluntarily recalling its Earth Grown Vegan Traditional Falafel and Garlic & Herb Falafel Distributed & Sold Exclusively by Aldi, Batavia, IL due to the possible presence of Shiga toxin-producing *E. coli*.

Shiga-toxin-producing *E. coli* is an organism that can cause foodborne illness in a person who eats a food item contaminated with it. Symptoms of infection may include stomach cramps, diarrhea, and vomiting. The illness primarily impacts elderly individuals, children, and people with weakened immune systems. Most healthy adults and children rarely become seriously ill.

The voluntarily recalled Earth Grown Vegan Traditional Falafel And Garlic & Herb Falafel Distributed & Sold Exclusively by Aldi, Batavia, IL were distributed in ALDI retail stores in the following states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

The product comes in a bag in a box marked with any of the following Lot numbers: 1472, 1481, 1531, 1532, 1541, 1552, 1561, 1581, 1601, 1611, 1612, 1661, 1682, 1732, 1752, 1762, 1782, 1802, and 1812, and would have been shipped to stores after June 24, 2021. The lot number can be found in the "Best if used by" area on the outside flap of the box. There has been no further production of this product.

There have been 20 reported cases in six (6) states (FL, IA, KS, MI, OH and WI) with onset dates reported between July 24, 2022 and September 19, 2022 with 5 hospitalization and no deaths.

Consumers who have purchased Earth Grown Vegan Traditional Falafel and Garlic & Herb Falafel Distributed & Sold Exclusively by Aldi, Batavia, IL with any of the above lot numbers after June 24, 2021, are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time at 1-201-439-1036, Ext. 26.

BOX PICTURE


Earth GROWN VEGAN
GARLIC & HERB FALAFEL
A DELIGHTFUL MIX OF CHICKPEAS & SPICES, LOADED WITH GARLIC & HERBS
12 Pieces
GLUTEN FREE
NET WT 12 OZ (340g)
KEEP FROZEN
Nutrition Facts
4 servings per container
Serving size 3 pieces (84g)
Calories 130
EARTH GROWN™-
more of what you WANT
BEING VEGETARIAN OR VEGAN DOESN'T MEAN YOU SHOULD HAVE TO COMPROMISE ON FLAVOR. EARTH GROWN PRODUCTS ARE AN DELICIOUS WAY TO GET THE NOURISHMENT YOUR BODY NEEDS, WITHOUT THE ANIMAL PRODUCTS YOU DON'T WANT. ALSO, EARTH GROWN PRODUCTS ARE NOT ONLY DELICIOUS, BUT ARE MORE SUSTAINABLE!
[OUR PROMISE]
All our Earth Grown products are free from animal products, including meats, seafoods, and our vegan dairy and eggs substitutes produced by animals - such as eggs, dairy, honey, gelatin, and dyes.
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