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True Leaf Farms Recalls Bagged, Chopped Romaine

(JUNEAU, AK) – True Leaf Farms has issued a recall for chopped romaine because of possible contamination with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

The 2 lb. bags of chopped romaine were packed and shipped in True Leaf Farms cardboard cartons and distributed by Church Brothers, LLC. The bags have a “use by date” of 9/29/11 and a bag and box code of B256-46438-8.

Alaska DEC has confirmed the distribution of the product in Alaska.

There have been no reported cases of illness; however, consumption of food contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* can cause listeriosis, an uncommon but potentially fatal disease. Healthy people rarely contract listeriosis. However, listeriosis can cause high fever, severe headache, neck stiffness and nausea. Listeriosis can also cause miscarriages and stillbirths, as well as serious and sometimes fatal infections in those with weakened immune systems, such as infants, the elderly and persons with HIV infection or undergoing chemotherapy. Individuals concerned about an illness should contact a health care provider.

Consumers who have purchased this product are urged not to consume it. The product should be destroyed. Consumers with questions or who need information may call Church Brothers, LLC, the sales agent for True Leaf Farms, at 1-800-799-9475, or may visit <http://www.churchbrothers.com> for updates.

For more recall details, please visit
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm273959.htm>

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