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**Tabatchnick Fine Foods Yankee Bean Soup & FoodMatch Inc. Divina Olives
Recalled for Possible Botulism Contamination**

(JUNEAU, AK) – United Natural Foods has recalled selected types of Tabatchnick Yankee Bean Soup and FoodMatch Inc. Divina Stuffed Olives because the products have the potential to be contaminated with *Clostridium botulinum*, a bacterium that can cause life-threatening illness or death.

Recalled product information is as follows:

- Tabatchnick Yankee Bean Soup is packaged in a red & white boxed container with black lettering and is approximately 15oz in size. **UPC 07126229491.**
- Divina Blue Cheese Stuffed Olives are packaged in plastic 4oz cup containers with a blue label. **UPC 63172352790.**
- Divina Feta Cheese Stuffed Olives are packaged in plastic 4oz cup containers with a blue and yellow label. **UPC 63172352790.**

The “Best Used By” date codes affected are:

- **11 JAN 2012**
- **15 DEC 2011**
- **30 DEC 2011**

Alaska’s Department of Environmental Conservation has verified at least one of the affected products, Divina Blue Cheese Stuffed Olives, has been distributed in Alaska.

Botulism, a potentially fatal form of food poisoning, can cause the following symptoms: general weakness, dizziness, double-vision, and trouble with speaking or swallowing. Difficulty in breathing, weakness of other muscles, abdominal distension and constipation may also be common symptoms. People experiencing these problems should seek immediate medical attention.

To date, no illnesses have been reported in the United States, including Alaska.

Consumers are warned not to consume these products even if they do not look or smell spoiled. Consumers who have purchased these products should dispose of them or return them to the place of purchase. Questions about the recalled products should be directed to Lisa Madsen of the Company at 1-401-528-8634, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more recall details, please visit

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm279367.htm>

For more information on recalls affecting Alaskans, visit DEC's website:

<http://www.dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/recalls/recallsalerts.html>.

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