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**COLUMBIA RIVER NATURAL PET FOODS INC. VOLUNTARILY EXPANDS RECALL TO INCLUDE COW
PIE AND CHICKEN & VEGETABLES FRESH FROZEN MEATS FOR DOGS AND CATS DUE TO POSSIBLE
HEALTH RISK**

December 21, 2018 Columbia River Natural Pet Foods of Vancouver, WA is voluntarily expanding their current recall to include additional products: 261 packages of Cow Pie Lot # 72618 and 82 packages of Chicken & Vegetables Lot# 111518 fresh frozen meats for dogs and cats, produced in July 2018 and November 2018, due to their potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Salmonella and *Listeria monocytogenes* 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* and *Listeria monocytogenes* should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping and fever. Rarely, *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes* 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* and *Listeria monocytogenes* 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.

Cow Pie and Chicken & Vegetables are fresh frozen meat products intended to feed raw to dogs and cats. Both products were distributed in Alaska, Oregon, and Washington through retail stores and direct delivery. The Cow Pie product comes in frozen 2 lbs. purple and white plastic bags with Lot# 72618 found on an orange sticker. The Chicken & Vegetables product comes in frozen 2 lbs. turquoise and white plastic bags with Lot # 111518 found on an orange sticker.

No illnesses have been reported to date.

The potential for contamination was noted after testing by the Washington State Department of Agriculture revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Salmonella* in one package of Cow Pie and *Salmonella* in one package of Chicken & Vegetables.

Consumers who purchased the product should discontinue use of the product and return for a full refund or exchange by returning the product in its original packaging to place of purchase.

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 360-834-6854 Monday – Friday from 8am-4pm PST.

This recall is being made with the knowledge of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.