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Snoqualmie Gourmet Ice Cream, Inc. Ice Cream, Gelato, Custard, and Sorbet Recalled Due to Possible Listeria Contamination

(JUNEAU, AK) – Snoqualmie Gourmet Ice Cream, Inc. has issued a recall of all flavors and container sizes of its ice cream, gelato, custard and sorbet products produced between Jan. 1, 2014 and Dec. 15, 2014 because the products have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Listeria monocytogenes is an organism that can cause listeriosis, an uncommon but potentially fatal disease. Healthy people rarely contract listeriosis. However, those who do contract it could experience 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. Symptoms do not immediately develop after eating contaminated food but can develop within two months after consumption. A person experiencing these symptoms should seek immediate medical attention. For more information about *Listeria monocytogenes*, visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/listeria/resources.html>.

Affected products may be identified either by date codes on pints and cups located on the bottom of the container that end in "4", e.g. XXX4 or, for trays and tubs, dates marked Jan. 1, 2014 through Dec. 15, 2014.

This recall affects the following products:

Snoqualmie Ice Cream, Snoqualmie Gelato, Snoqualmie Custard, Snoqualmie Sorbet, Emerald & Spruce Ice Cream, or Top Pot Hand Forged Ice Cream.

Alaska DEC has confirmed these products were available in Alaska. To date, no illnesses or reactions have been reported.

Customers who have purchased the affected product should dispose of it or return it to the place of purchase. Consumers with questions may call Snoqualmie Gourmet Ice Cream, Inc. at 213-316-8323 Monday through Friday

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. PST.

For more information on this recall, visit:

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

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

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

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