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## Press Release

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### **Harry and David Recalls Products Due to Potential Salmonella Contamination**

(JUNEAU, AK) – Harry and David, LLC has issued a recall for peanut butter and almond butter products that may be contaminated by *Salmonella*. The products are sold through Harry & David and Wolferman's catalogs, websites, and retail stores. The voluntary recall was initiated by Harry and David, LLC upon learning that Sunland, Inc. had recalled products, including Harry and David brand peanut butter products manufactured by Sunland, Inc.

*Salmonella* is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain beginning 12-72 hours after infection. The illness usually lasts 4-7 days. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis, and arthritis. People exhibiting any of these symptoms should contact their healthcare provider.

The recalled products are packaged in 12 oz containers and can be identified by individual UPC codes or "Best-By" dates between May 1, 2013 and September 24, 2013. UPC Codes and lot codes are found on each product's label.

UPC Code	Single Component Products
8099473871 8099473872 8099473873	Harry & David® Crunchy Almond and Peanut Butter Harry & David® Creamy Banana Peanut Spread Harry & David® Creamy Raspberry Peanut Spread
Lot Codes	Multiple Component Products
1212M through 2372M 1212H through 2372H 1212C through 2372H	Harry and David® Apple Snack Box Wolferman's® Bee Sweet Gift Basket Wolferman's® Hearty Snack Gift Basket Wolferman's® All-Day Assortment Gift Basket Wolferman's® Father's Day Basket

Alaska DEC has confirmed distribution of these products in Alaska. To date, there have been no reported illnesses in Alaska or with the Harry and David Brand products. However, there here may be up to 29 or more reported cases of *Salmonella* associated with the recalled products distributed by Sunland Inc. nationwide.

Consumers who have purchased these products are urged not to eat them. Consumers can get information on the recall by contacting Harry and David at 800-233-1101, 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. PDT.

For more recall details, please visit:

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321416.htm?source=govdelivery>.

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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