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To: Health Commissioners, Environmental Health Directors, Nursing Directors,
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Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2003-43

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Indiana Firm Recalls Meat Products Because Of Undeclared Allergens

WASHINGTON,— Olympic Food Products Inc., a Kokomo, Ind., establishment, is voluntarily recalling approximately 33,000 pounds of frozen corn dogs that contain undeclared allergens (egg, whey) and an undeclared ingredient (beef), the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service announced today.

The products being recalled are:

- "QUICKMEAL PREMIUM CORN DOG, BATTER-WRAPPED CHICKEN & PORK FRANK ON A STICK, NET WT 2.75 oz. Included on each package is the label code "40238-07", which is located on the back of the package in the lower right hand corner below the list of ingredients. These products contained undeclared allergens and were produced on July 28, Aug. 18, and Sept. 16, 2003.
- "QUICKMEAL PREMIUM JUMBO CORN DOG, BATTER-WRAPPED CHICKEN & PORK FRANK ON A STICK, NET WT 4 oz. Included on each package is the label code "37175-02", which is located on the back of the package in the lower right hand corner below the list of ingredients. These products contained an undeclared ingredient and were produced on Aug. 18 and 19, 2003.

All of the products subject to recall also bear the establishment code "EST. P-6882" inside the USDA mark of inspection.

The products were distributed nationwide to wholesale and retail establishments. The problem was discovered by the company.

FSIS has received no reports of illnesses associated with consumption of these products. Anyone concerned about an illness should contact a physician.

FOOD ALLERGIES

**USDA Meat and
Poultry Hotline
1-888-MPHotline or
visit
www.fsis.usda.gov**

Consumers who have a food allergy or severe food sensitivity should always read ingredient labels. In restaurants they should ask whether an allergy-causing ingredient is in the food.

A food allergy occurs when the immune system reacts to a certain food, usually within minutes after the food has been consumed.

Symptoms may include throat swelling, breathing trouble or a rash.

Strictly avoiding the allergy-causing food is the only absolute way to avoid a reaction.

Several foods account for 90% of allergic reactions. They include peanuts,

Consumers with questions about this recall may contact the company's consumer hotline at 1-877- 446-7635. Media with questions should contact Mike Downs, company president, at 1-800-326-4008.

Consumers with food safety questions can phone the toll-free USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline at (888) MPHOTline. The hotline is available in English and Spanish and can be reached from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time) Monday through Friday. And recorded food safety messages are available 24 hours a day.

tree nuts (walnuts, pecans, etc.), fish, shellfish, eggs, milk, soy, and wheat.

Persons who have a severe, life-threatening food allergy should always carry, and know how to administer, prescription epinephrine.