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To: Health Commissioners, Environmental Health Directors, Nursing Directors, ODA Food Safety Specialists, and Other Interested Parties

Subject: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2009-02a56

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Beneficial Foods/ Nature's Candy Announces Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Peanut Butter Krinkles, Karob Krinkles, Peanut Chip Crunch Bars, and Peanut Caramel Omega-3 Uplift Bars Due to Potential Health Risk

Beneficial Foods/ Nature's Candy is recalling it's health bars containing peanuts because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. The recalled products contain peanut products supplied by Peanut Corporation of America, which has recently announced an expansion of a voluntary recall covering all peanut products manufactured and distributed from their Plainview, TX plant. Peanut Corporation of America is currently the focus of an ongoing investigation concerning the recent *Salmonella* outbreak.

Salmonella is an organism which 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. 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.

No illnesses associated with any of our recalled products have been reported to date.

The above products were distributed Nationwide through distributors, retail stores, and mail order.

Nature's Candy Products:

Product	UPC Code	Size	Lot #'s
Peanut Butter Krinkles:	0-54486-10011-2	24-1.7 oz.	Lot #'s: x931
Peanut Butter Krinkles:	No UPC	Family Packs	Lot #'s: x898
Peanut Butter Krinkles:	No UPC	60 Pack Small Bulk	Lot #'s: 6301, 6327, 6414, 6418, 6432, 6451
Peanut Butter Krinkles:	No UPC	100 Pack Large Bulk	Lot #'s: 6315, 6327, 6369, 6398, 6414, 6432
Karob Krinkles:	0-54486-10014-3	24-1.7 oz.	Lot #'s: x891, x904, x933
Karob Krinkles:	No UPC	Family Packs	Lot #'s: x905

Karob Krinkles:	No UPC	Large Bulk	Lot #'s: 6439
Peanut Chip Crunch:	0-54486-10208-6 0-54486-10238-3	24-1.7 oz. 2.1 oz.	Lot #'s: 6345, 6428

Beneficial Foods Products:

Product	UPC Code	Size	Lot #'s
Omega-3 Uplift Bar (Peanut Caramel)	0-54486-10101-0	18-2.25 oz.	Lot #'s: 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210, 0211, 0212, 090809

Peanut Butter Krinkles and Karob Krinkles are identified by either a 2-color printed clear wrapper or a plain clear wrapper sold in bulk bins. The Peanut Chip Crunch bars are in a plain clear wrapper with a stick on label. The Peanut Caramel Omega-3 Uplift Bars are in a printed blue wrapper with a mountain scene on the front.

Please contact your point of purchase for additional information. Consumers who have purchased any of the products listed above are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-729-0085.