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TO: Health Commissioners, Directors of Environmental Health and Interested Parties

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2019-083

House of Spices (India) Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Sulfites in "Laxmi Dried Apricot"

House of Spices (India) is recalling all lots of 7ounce (200g) packages of "LAXMI DRIED APRICOT", 7 oz (200g) UPC code 2324617054, because they may contain undeclared sulfites. People who have allergies to sulfites run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume these products.

The recalled LAXMI DRIED APRICOT was distributed nationwide in retail stores and through mail orders.

The product comes in a 7 oz (200g), clear plastic packages with yellow, green and red colors and Laxmi Logo. Below are pictures of the product.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs that the sulfite-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of sulfites.

Production of the product has been suspended until FDA and the company are certain that the problem has been corrected.

Consumers who have purchased the LAXMI Dried Apricot 7 oz (200g) are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company or may send email to customerservice@HouseOfSpicesIndia.com or through www.hosindia.com or call (718) 507-4600. Our hours of operations are from 8:00am to 9:00am Monday to Friday (Eastern Time).