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Fish products recalled due to possible contamination

The Kane County Health Department is advising that Heartland Catfish Company, an Itta Bena, Miss., establishment is recalling approximately 69,016 pounds of catfish products that may be adulterated with a residue of public health concern, specifically leucomalachite green.

There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reactions due to consumption of these products. These items were shipped to retail locations in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Texas and Vermont.

Leucomalachite green is a dye that has been used generally as an antifungal drug in the fish industry. The problem was discovered on March 8, 2018, after routine U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service sampling results revealed violative levels of the chemical leucomalachite green in the products.

The various fresh and frozen, raw, intact Siluriformes (catfish) products were produced on February 16. The following products are subject to recall: [[View Labels](#) (PDF Only)]. The products subject to recall bear establishment number "EST. 45777" inside the USDA mark of inspection. Anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a healthcare provider. Consumers who have purchased these products are urged not to consume them. These products should be thrown away or returned to the place of purchase. Consumers and media with questions about the recall can contact Danny Walker, Heartland Catfish Company, at (662) 254-7100.

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