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Wild Blue Yonder Foods recalls granola because of possible health risk

The Kane County Health Department is advising that WBY Foods of Marblehead, MA, is recalling its Chappaqua Crunch Simply Granola with Blueberries & Bananas, in 13 ounce packages, because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem, but the recalled products were distributed nationwide through mail order. The product comes in a 13 ounce clear plastic pouch and marked with best by dates on the back. The recall includes best by dates beginning with Feb. 5, 2016 and ending with May 31, 2016.

The potential for contamination was noted after the supplier informed us that the bananas in the granola may be contaminated with *Salmonella*. At that time, the recalled ingredient had been used in production.

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.

Consumers who have purchased 13 ounce packages of Chappaqua Crunch Simply Granola with Blueberries & Bananas are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-800-488-4602, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM, EST.

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