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### **California firm recalls pistachio products**

The Kane County Health Department is advising that Wonderful Pistachios of Lost Hills, Calif., is voluntarily recalling a limited number of flavors and sizes of in-shell and shelled pistachios due to a risk of *Salmonella* contamination.

According to Center for Disease Control and Prevention some of the products may be linked to an outbreak of Salmonellosis, however none of the cases reported have come from Illinois. The products, which were distributed through several retailers nationwide and Canada, can be identified by a 13-digit lot code number that can be found on the lower back or bottom panel of the package. The specific products and lot codes can be found by clicking [here](#).

*Salmonella*, is an organism that 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 may return these products to Wonderful Pistachios for a refund by sending the product packaging or bottom portion of the package that contains the lot code to Wonderful Pistachios, 13646 Hwy 33, Lost Hills, CA 93249. If consumers prefer, they may return the product to the store from which it was purchased for a refund. Consumers should discard the nuts prior to returning the entire package or lot code panel to their retail store. Consumers with questions are encouraged to contact (844) 505-3844, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

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