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Health District issues recall for various canned soup products

(Las Vegas, Nev. – December 1, 2000) – The Clark County Health District (CCHD) is issuing a recall on Baron and Tasty Classic soups that have been distributed in discount grocery store outlets in Clark County. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is warning consumers not to purchase or consume various canned soups imported from Canada because they have the potential to be contaminated with the bacterium that causes botulism.

The soups are sold in 10 ³/₄ fl.oz. cans and the suspect types include condensed cream of mushroom soup, cream of chicken soup and cream of celery soup.

No illnesses have been reported to date and consumers who have bought any of the product should return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Any person who has consumed the recalled product and develops any of the symptoms within 12 to 36 hours should consult a physician immediately. Consumers with questions may contact the manufacturer, Les Produits Freddy Inc., at 1-888-797-3210.

Botulism is a very rare, but potentially life-threatening illness. The illness is most commonly caused by inadequately heating foods canned in the home. In very rare instances botulism has been associated with commercially prepared canned foods. Symptoms of illness normally begin within 12-36 hours, and include double vision, descending paralysis, temporary loss of eyesight, inability to speak and other neurological symptoms.

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