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DOH - FDA Advisory
No. 2012-012

Subject: Reported Recall of NESQUIK® Chocolate Powder

There has been report of a voluntary recall in the United States initiated by Nestlé USA of limited quantities of Nestlé NESQUIK® Chocolate Powder in the 10.9, 21.8 and 40.7 ounce canisters, due to possible presence of Salmonella of certain lots of its ingredient, Calcium Carbonate.

Records of this office show that Nestlé NESQUIK® Chocolate Powder (in canisters) is not registered with FDA Philippines. The product registered is Nestlé NESQUICK (with letter "c") Chocolate Flavor (in plastic container).

In the interest of protecting public health and safety, the Department of Health – Food and Drug Administration (DOH-FDA) hereby issues this advisory to inform the public that the affected NESQUIK Chocolate powder was produced during early October, 2012 and with an expiration date of BEST BEFORE OCT 2014.

Salmonella infection is characterized by diarrhea, abdominal cramps and fever, which develop within eight to seventy two hours of eating or drinking contaminated food. The illness usually lasts for four to seven days and most people recover without treatment. However, salmonellosis can be severe or even life threatening for infants, older people, pregnant women and those with weakened immune systems.

In view of the foregoing, this Office hereby enjoins the public to observe the following:

- Those who have purchased said products should not consume it and return the same to the place of purchase for a refund.
- Persons who think they may have become ill from taking the affected health products are advised to consult their health care providers.

Likewise, all concerned are enjoined to report persons or entities dealing in the sale of the affected products to DOH-FDA at Tel No. 807-8275.



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