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Amalgamated Produce, Inc. Extends Recall to Crunchy Sprouts in the North Eastern United States Because of Possible Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- Amalgamated Produce, Inc. is extending its recall of April 9, 2009 to include one additional product, labeled as either Specialty Farms Organic Crunchy Sprouts or Organic Crunchy Pea Mix, as noted below. These items all have a sell-by date from 3/31/09 through 4/27/09 and are net weight 4 ounces in plastic containers:

BRAND	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UPC
Specialty Farms	Organic Crunchy Sprouts	8192400061
Specialty Farms	Organic Crunchy Pea Mix	" " "

The above items are all in plastic containers.

These sprouts are being recalled because they may have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* (Lm). Lm is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

Amalgamated Produce, Inc. voluntarily recalled sprouts April 9, 2009 after laboratory analysis found positive results. The press release for this recall is available at the following link:

http://www.fda.gov/oc/po/firmrecalls/api04_09.html

All products produced by Amalgamated Produce, Inc. under the brand names Specialty Farms, Vermont Sprout House, and BroccoSprouts with a sell-by date 5/1/09 and beyond are not included in this recall.

Products have been distributed in the following states:

- NY, NJ, CT, RI, MA, NH, VT, ME, MD, PA and Delaware

API is currently in the process of determining exactly where this potential Lm contamination could be occurring in its facility and is immediately remedying the potential sources as they are identified. API hopes to return to full sprout production soon.

Consumers who have purchased this product are urged to return them to the point of purchase for refund and may contact API with questions at (800)358-3808 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. EST.

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