CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE BUREAU OF AQUACULTURE

Notice of Shellfish Closure and Recall

For CT Shippers, FDA, and ISSC

Update 08/04/13

Effective 08/02/13 at 2:15 pm, a shellfish closure and recall of CT shellfish was implemented. Oysters and clams harvested from the waters of specific lot numbers in Norwalk and Westport have been implicated as the source of a number of illnesses related to the naturally occurring bacteria *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*. Affected harvest dates are 07/03/13 through 08/2/13. Although the shellstock species most likely responsible for these illnesses are oysters, hard clams were also consumed in several of the cases and may also be a source.

This recall was implemented 08/02/13, and at this time we are only able to identify states and shippers that directly received affected product. The list of states and dealers receiving product is expected to grow as the product is shipped through the distribution chain. Please contact the Bureau with any questions or concerns throughout the course of the recall (contact information is at the end of this document).

The original shipper numbers associated with this recall are listed below, however **not all product associated with these shippers is being recalled** and the **harvest location on the tag and shipping records/invoices must be reviewed** in order to determine if the shellfish is affected by this recall.

If recall shellfish are identified, please ask restaurant that they do not immediately destroy product but rather place shellfish under embargo, clearly identified that they are not to be sold. Please notify the DA/BA at 203-209-4023 if this product is identified so that we can include the shellfish in the recall tally.

Restaurants and retail establishments may have received product directly from the original harvester or via an ICSSL listed dealer. Not all dealers who may have shipped the affected product have been identified yet.

At this time, the DA/BA has received harvest and shipping records for the recall time frame and will be entering that information into a spreadsheet to share with FDA and receiving states.

Shippers that have shellfish beds affected by this closure and recall have been notified and are in the process of initiating the recall. They have been instructed to immediately inform the DA/BA of the following: 1) Harvest location and harvest dates affected by this recall 2) The names and contact information of consignees who received this product 3) Quantities of shellstock that have been shipped from these areas 4) Advise consignees that the product is not to be sold or shipped; Unless advised otherwise by the Authority, the product is to remain on the premises until the Authority representative or other designee arrives; 5) As the recall proceeds inform DA/BA of the quantities of products returned or corrected by each consignee contacted and the quantity of products accounted for.

Licensed CT Original Shippers (Harvesters) Associated with Recall:

CT 69 SS Norm Bloom and Son CT 100 SS Hillard Bloom Shellfish CT 38 SS Michael Orayez

P.O. Box 97, 190 Rogers Avenue, Milford, CT 06460

Fax: 203-783-9976

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CT 1247 SS A.C. Stabell *In state only CT 154 SS Tallmadge Land and Sea CT 136 SS Pramer Oyster

Affected Harvest dates:

All shellfish harvested between 07/03/13 and 08/02/13

Species:

Eastern Oyster (a.k.a. Blue Point Oysters), all sizes, all quantities Hard clams, all sizes, all quantities

Affected Harvest Locations

Please keep in mind that all of this information may not be present on each tag that you review, and the information may be in a different order than it appears below. For example, CT 79 Westport may read Westport Lot 79, CT or L-79 Westport, or simply L-79 with no town designation.

CT 105 Westport
CT 109 Norwalk
CT 123 Westport
CT 171 Westport
CT 173 Westport
CT 20 Westport
CT 207 Westport
CT 21 Norwalk
CT 253 Norwalk
CT 254 Westport
CT 255 Norwalk
CT 268 Westport
CT 270 Norwalk
CT 595C Westport
CT 595D Westport
CT 599 Westport
CT 67 Westport
CT 71 Westport
CT 73 Norwalk
CT 79 Westport

States that Received Affected Product Directly from CT Shippers:

CT, MA, ME, NY, PA, RI, NJ

ICSSL Dealers that Received Affected Product Directly from CT Shippers:

State	Shipper Name	Shipper #
CT	CT Shellfish	CT 167 SS

State	Shipper Name	Shipper #
	Jeff Northrup dba Westport	
СТ	Aquaculture	CT 40 SS
CT	Paganos	CT 37 SS
CT	Sono Seafood	CT 253 SS
CT	Steven Burt Seafood	CT 170 RS
MA	Cape Cod	MA 3257 SS
MA	Foley	MA 4264 SS
MA	North Coast Seafood	MA 437 SP
MA	Pangaea	MA 9169 SS
MA	Steve Connolly	MA 3075 SS/MA 4793 RP
ME	JP Shellfish	ME 352 SS
ME	Spinney Creek	ME 271 DP
NJ	Bivalve Packing	NJ 1 SP
NY	Blue Island	NY 847 SS/NY 750 SS
NY	Bronx Fish	NY 523 RS
NY	Grand Central Oyster bar	Restaurant
MA	John Nagle Co.	MA 940 SS
NY	K & B Shellfish	NY 708 SP
NY	Meat Without Feet	NY 783 SS
NY	Mr. Shellfish LLC	NY 827 SS
NY	Val's Ocean	NY 521 SS
PA	Samuel and Son	PA 2566 SP
RI	American Mussel	RI 234 SS

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