

November 20, 2018

Dear Valued Customer:

Earlier today, the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention issued a Food Safety Alert describing its investigation into an outbreak of *E. coli* O157:H7 linked to romaine lettuce. The Alert covers all romaine lettuce products, including whole head romaine, hearts of romaine, and bags and boxes of precut lettuce and salad mixes that contain romaine or baby romaine.

The Alert, published at http://www.cdc.gov and described at www.fda.gov, advises that U.S. customers should not eat any romaine lettuce, and retailers and restaurants should not serve or sell any, until the CDC and FDA learn more about the outbreak.

At this time, Dole Vegetables has not been contacted by either the CDC or the FDA, and, as such, the only information we have regarding this matter is what is contained at the web links provided above. Presently, no common grower, supplier, distributor, production/harvesting area or brand has been identified, and we are not aware of any connection to Dole or to any Dole product.

In response to the Alert, Dole has suspended all harvesting and production of romaine products. We will await further information from FDA or CDC but, at this time, we've suspended all romaine harvesting, production and shipping of products containing romaine until no earlier than Tuesday, November 27.

We are attaching a list of Dole-produced value-added SKU's that include romaine and/or baby romaine to assist you in addressing the CDC Alert.

Dole is committed to providing safe, healthy and quality foods to our customers. As such, we have been and will continue to closely monitor this situation and will share any new information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

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Attachment



DOLE 12/12oz GREENER SELECT #34

DOLE 6/7oz FIELD GREENS #39

DOLE 6/12oz AMERICAN BLEND #43

DOLE 6/5oz SPRING MIX #45

DOLE 6/9oz ITALIAN BLEND #49

DOLE 12/10oz CAESAR SALAD #50

DOLE 6/10oz CAESAR SALAD #53

DOLE 6/5oz 50/50 BLEND #55

DOLE 6/10oz LOWFAT CAESAR SALAD #64

DOLE 6/2# CHOPPED ROMAINE #78

DOLE 6/5.5oz FT CHICKEN CAESAR CAN #102

DOLE 6/5.7oz FT FRESCA CAN #103

DOLE 6/5.9oz FT GREEK GRAINS CAN #104

DOLE 6/4.9oz FT RANCH CAN #105

DOLE 6/20oz VALUE BASE CAESAR CAN #155

DOLE 6/15oz FAMILY ULTIMATE CAESAR #156

DOLE 4/3 lb CHOP ROMAINE #164

DOLE 6/10oz 50/50 MIX #338

DOLE 6/5oz SPRING MIX #347

DOLE 6/5oz 50/50 MIX #348

DOLE 6/32oz CHOPPED ROMAINE #501

DOLE 6/10oz VERY VEGGIE #532

DOLE 6/15oz FAMILY CLASSIC ROMAINE #534

DOLE 6/9oz HEARTS OF ROMAINE #540

DOLE 6/15oz FAMILY GREENER SELECT #555

DOLE 6/13.1oz CHOPPED POMEGRANATE #601

DOLE 6/12oz CHOPPED SWEET KALE #606

DOLE 6/27.2oz CHOPPED SESAMIE ASIAN #608

DOLE 6/27.2oz CHOPPED SUNFLOWER #609

DOLE 6/14.4oz CHOPPED BBQ RANCH #611

DOLE 6/12.9oz CHOPPED BACON & BLUE #612

DOLE 6/12.9oz CHOPPED CHIPOLTE CHEDDAR #613

DOLE 6/13.6oz CHOPPED SESAMIE ASIAN #616

DOLE 6/13.6oz CHOPPED SUNFLOWER #617

DOLE 8/27.2oz CHOPPED SUNFLOWER #619

DOLE 9/13.6oz CHOPPED SUNFLOWER #620

DOLE 12/11oz SPRING MIX CLAM CAN #650

DOLE 6/32oz CHOPPED ROMAINE CAN #675

DOLE 12/10oz CAESAR SALAD CAN #678

DOLE 6/9oz ITALIAN BEND CAN #686

DOLE 6/12oz AMERICAN BLEND CAN #687

DOLE 12/12oz GREENER SELECT CAN #695

DOLE 6/9oz HEARTS OF ROMAINE CAN #696

DOLE 6/10oz LOWFAT CAESAR SALAD CAN #699

DOLE 6/10.57oz CREAMY BALSAMIC KIT #756

DOLE 6/10.8oz CHOPPED CAESAR #757

DOLE 6/11.5oz ULTIMATE CAESAR KIT #758

DOLE 6/10.6oz CHOPPED GREEK #759

DOLE 6/13.25oz COUNTRY RANCH KIT #761

DOLE 8/5oz BABY ROMAINE CAN #823

DOLE 8/5oz SPRING MIX CAN #826

DOLE 8/5oz SPINACH & REDS CAN #827

DOLE 8/5oz SWEET BABY LETTUCE CAN #828

DOLE 6/13oz ASIAN ISLAND KIT CAN #930

DOLE 6/10oz 50/50 SPRING MIX CAN #938

DOLE 6/11.5oz ULTIMATE CAESAR KIT CAN #953

DOLE 6/16oz CHOPPED ROMAINE CAN #963

DOLE 6/12.25oz COUNTRY RANCH KIT CAN #964

DOLE 6/10oz CREAMY BALSAMIC KIT CAN #971

DOLE 6/9.20z MEDITERRANEAN KIT CAN #988

DOLE 6/10.3oz CHOPPED GREEK CAN #989

DOLE 6/10.8oz CHOPPED CAESAR CAN #990

DOLE 6/14.4oz CHOPPED BBQ RANCH CAN #991

DOLE 6/12.6oz CHOP ITALIENNE CHIANTI CAN #992

DOLE 6/12.9oz CHOP CHIPOLTE CHEDDAR CAN #993

DOLE 6/13.6oz CHOPPED ASIAN CAN #996

DOLE 6/13.1oz CHOPPED POMEGRANATE CAN #997

DOLE 6/9oz ITALIAN KOSHER #1049

DOLE 6/2# CHOPPED ROMAINE KOSHER #1078

DOLE 6/10oz SPRING MIX CLAM #2336

DOLE 12/9oz CLASSIC ROMAINE #2535

DOLE 6/9.5oz PREMIUM ROMAINE #2537

DOLE 12/9oz CLASSIC ROMAINE CAN #2683

DOLE 6/10oz VERY VEGGIE CAN #2694

DOLL 0/1002 VERT VEGGIL OAN #2094

DOLE 6/13oz ENDLESS SUMMER KIT #2768

DOLE 6/13oz SOUTHWEST KIT #2776

DOLE 6/13oz SOUTHWEST KIT CAN #2976