



December 14, 2018

Dear Valued Customer;

Update to FDA & CDC Advisory

Here at Ippolito International LP Food Safety is our top priority, and as such Ippolito International LP continues to be in 100% compliance with the advisory from the CDC and FDA. On December 13, 2018 the FDA and CDC put out a second update to their original advisory. This second update removed San Luis Obispo, Santa Cruz & Ventura counties from the ongoing investigation. The advisory from November 26, 2018 remains in affect clearing certain regions which grow and harvest Romaine and Romaine products from the current and ongoing investigation. In accordance with the FDA & CDC's conditions of releasing these regions from the investigation, as of November 27, 2018, we continue to harvest and ship Romaine Lettuce and products containing Romaine Lettuce from the regions originally cleared by the FDA & CDC. We also, continue to clearly identify the region from where the Romaine is coming from as well as clearly identify the "Harvested On" date on each individual box as well as retail bag.

Ippolito International LP has not and does not source any Romaine Lettuce products from Adams Brothers Farms. As members in good standing of the CALGMA & AZLGMA it is the policy of Ippolito International LP to only source Leafy Green products from suppliers who are themselves members in good standing of the CALGMA or AZLGMA.

Ippolito International LP has not been contacted by any Federal, State or Local agencies in regards to this current investigation.

To view the FDA and CDC's advisory update see the links below. This statement will be updated as more information becomes available.

<https://www.fda.gov/Food/RecallsOutbreaksEmergencies/Outbreaks/ucm626330.htm>

<https://www.cdc.gov/ecoli/2018/o157h7-11-18/index.html>

*Sincerely,
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