

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

Blue Ridge Beef Issues Voluntary Recall of Blue Ridge Beef Kitten Grind, Blue Ridge Kitten Mix and Blue Ridge Beef Puppy Mix Due to Salmonella and Listeria Monocytogenes Contamination

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Summary

Company Announcement Date:

December 22, 2023

FDA Publish Date:

December 21, 2023

Product Type:

Animal & Veterinary

Reason for Announcement:

Potential contamination of Salmonella and Listeria monocytogenes

Company Name:

Blue Ridge Beef

Brand Name:

Blue Ridge Beef

Product Description:

Kitten Grind, Kitten Mix, and Puppy Mix

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A previous version of this press release was issued on 12/21/2023. This press release was updated to clarify recalled product lot numbers.

STATESVILLE, NC – December 22, 2023 – Blue Ridge Beef is expanding their recall to include additional lot numbers. This recall includes all lot numbers and used by dates between N24 1114 to N24 1224 of their 2 lb log of Kitten Grind UPC 8 54298 00101 6; 2lb log of Kitten Mix UPC 8 54298 00143 6 and their 2lb log of Puppy Mix UPC 8 54298 00169 6 due to contamination of *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes*. *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes* can affect animals eating the products and there is risk to humans from handling contaminated pet products, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the products or any surfaces exposed to these products.

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Healthy people infected with *Salmonella* should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping and fever. Rarely, *Salmonella* can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections, endocarditis, arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms. Consumers exhibiting these signs after having contact with this product should contact their healthcare providers.

Pets with *Salmonella* and *Listeria* infections may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting. Some pets will have only decreased appetite, fever, and abdominal pain. Infected but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed the recalled product and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.

On 12/15/2023 the firm was notified by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services that one lot of each of the products were sampled and tested positive for *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes*. However, out of an abundance of caution the firm is recalling all lots with the used by dates between N24 1114 to N24 1224.

No illnesses have been reported to date.

The products were distributed between 11/14/2023 – 12/20/2023. These products were packaged in clear plastic and sold primarily in retail stores located in the states of: CT, MA, MD, NC, NY, PA & VA. Image of the products are below.

Products affected are:

Product	Size	UPC	All Lot #/Use By Dates Between
Kitten Grind	2lbs	8 54298 00101 6	N24 1114 to N24 1224
Kitten Mix	2lbs	8 54298 00243 6	N24 1114 to N24 1224
Puppy Mix	2lbs	8 54298 00169 6	N24 1114 to N24 1224

The lot numbers and used by dates are located on the silver tabs at the end of the tubes.

Consumers who have purchased these products are urged to contact Blue Ridge Beef at blueridgebeefnc@yahoo.com for a full refund and destroy the food in a way that children, pets, and wildlife cannot access. Do not sell or donate the recalled products. Do not feed the recalled product to pets or any other animals. Wash and sanitize pet food bowls, cups, and storage containers. Always ensure you wash and sanitize your hands after handling recalled food or any utensils that come in contact with recalled food. Consumers with questions may contact Mr. Steven Lea at (704) 880-4500 Monday through Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm EST.

This recall is being made with the knowledge of the Food and Drug Administration.

Company Contact Information

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