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Recall of “Crab Brand” Black Pepper Seed Due to Presence of *Bacillus cereus* Exceeding Permitted Levels

The Singapore Food Agency (SFA) has detected the presence of *Bacillus cereus* exceeding the microbiological standards stated in the Singapore Food Regulations in “Crab Brand” Black Pepper Seed during a routine sampling of the product. The product was imported from Indonesia by Siem Trading Pte Ltd. SFA has directed the importer to recall all the implicated products. The recall is ongoing.

2 *Bacillus cereus* is a foodborne bacterium that can be found in soil, vegetation and in the intestinal tracts of insects and mammals. Consumption of food contaminated with *Bacillus cereus* can result in abdominal pain, diarrhoea, nausea and vomiting.

3 Consumers who have purchased the implicated product are advised not to consume it. Those who have consumed the implicated product and have concerns about their health should seek medical advice. Consumers may contact their point of purchase for enquiries.

4 Details of the product are as follows:

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Implicated product:

“Crab Brand” Black Pepper Seed

Expiry Date: 01/11/2021

Packing Size: 50g

Expiry Date: 01/10/2021

Packing Size: 90g

Country of origin: Indonesia



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