

**Recall of “Pure Tassie Organic Apple & Blackcurrant Juice” due to contamination with patulin**

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of Hong Kong’s Food and Environmental Hygiene Department has detected patulin, a mycotoxin, in a sample of “Pure Tassie Organic Apple & Blackcurrant Juice” products, at a level exceeding the action level adopted by the CFS. A recall of the product was subsequently initiated in Hong Kong.

2 The level of patulin detected by CFS exceeds the maximum limit for patulin<sup>1</sup> in fruit juice as stated in the Singapore Food Regulations. This may cause the product to be unsafe for consumption. Nausea, gastrointestinal disturbances and vomiting associated with the ingestion of patulin have been reported.

3 As there is import of the implicated products into Singapore, the Singapore Food Agency has directed the importer, Cold Storage Singapore (1983) Pte Ltd, to recall the product. The recall is ongoing.

4 Consumers who have purchased the affected products should not consume it. Consumers may contact the importer at 1800 8918 100 for enquiries and for exchange or refund of products.

5 Details of the products are as follows.

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<sup>1</sup> The maximum limit for patulin in fruit juice as stated in the Singapore Food Regulations is 50 parts per billion (ppb). This is similar to the action level adopted by the CFS, as well as the standard of the Codex Alimentarius Commission on patulin in apple/apple juice. The CFS detected patulin at a level of 260 ppb in a sample of the implicated product.

**Implicated products:**

Pure Tassie Organic Apple &

Blackcurrant Juice (1.5L)

Product of Australia

Best before date: 6 October 2020



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