

## Walgreens Recalls Walgreens Brand Candy Containing Peanuts Sold From Jan. 1, 2007 To Jan. 29, 2009

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** -- DEERFIELD, Ill., Feb. 1, 2009 – Walgreens is recalling four types of Walgreens brand chocolate candy containing peanuts sold in stores from Jan. 1, 2007 to Jan. 29, 2009. The candy manufacturer notified Walgreens that the candy contains peanuts from Peanut Corporation of America (PCA). PCA is the focus of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration investigation into potential salmonella contamination of peanut butter and paste. Though Walgreens is not aware of any reported cases of illness related to these products, it has issued this voluntary recall as a precautionary measure.

Walgreens has already instructed its stores to stop selling the following products:

- WALGREENS BRIDGE MIX 3.5 OZ, 4 OZ, 14 OZ and 15 OZ
- WALGREENS CHOCOLATE COVERED PEANUTS 3.5 OZ, 4 OZ, 13.5 OZ and 15 OZ
- WALGREENS CARAMEL NUT CLUSTERS 3.5 OZ, 4 OZ, 13.5 OZ and 15 OZ
- WALGREENS CHOCOLATE PEANUT CLUSTERS 3.5 OZ and 4 OZ



Walgreens takes the safety of its customers seriously and is working with the FDA on this recall. For additional information, please contact Walgreens Product Quality department at 847-315-2755, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Central time. Customers who purchased the recalled products should discontinue use immediately and return items to Walgreens for an exchange or refund.

*Salmonella* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the

organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis. For more information on *Salmonella*, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov>.