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TO: Health Commissioners, Directors of Environment Health and Interested Parties

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2018-105

Mondelēz Global LLC announced today a voluntary recall in the United States, including Puerto Rico & the U.S. Virgin Islands, of certain *Ritz* Cracker Sandwiches and *Ritz Bits* product. These products contain whey powder as an ingredient, which the whey powder supplier has recalled due to the potential presence of *Salmonella*.

Salmonella is a microorganism that 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.

This recall is limited exclusively to the products listed in the grid below, available at retail stores nationwide. No other Mondelēz Global LLC product is included in this recall.

Description	Retail UPC	Best When Used by Dates
RITZ BITS CHEESE BIG BAG 3 OZ	0 44000 00677 8	07 MAR 19 Thru 13 APR 19
RITZ BITS CHEESE 1 OZ	0 44000 02025 5	07 MAR 19 Thru 13 APR 19
RITZ BITS CHEESE 12 PACK CARTON	0 44000 02032 3	08 MAR 19 thru 13 APR 19
RITZ BITS CHEESE 30 PACK CARTON	0 44000 01309 7	03 MAR 19 thru 13 APR 19

Description	Retail UPC	Best When Used by Dates
RITZ BITS CHEESE 1.5 OZ	0 44000 00929 8	03 MAR 19 thru 13 APR 19
RITZ BITS CHEESE 3 OZ GO PACKS	0 44000 03215 9	07 MAR 19 thru 12 APR 19
10.8 OZ RITZ CHEESE CRACKER SANDWICHES	0 44000 88211 2	14 JAN 19 thru 11 FEB 19
1.35 OZ RITZ CHEESE CRACKER SANDWICHES	0 44000 00211 4	14 JAN 19 thru 11 FEB 19
10.8 OZ RITZ BACON CRACKER SANDWICHES WITH CHEESE	0 44000 04566 1	05 FEB 19 06 FEB 19
1.35 OZ RITZ BACON CRACKER SANDWICHES WITH CHEESE	0 44000 04567 8	05 FEB 19 thru 06 FEB 19
10.8 OZ RITZ WHOLE WHEAT CRACKER SANDWICHES WITH WHITE CHEDDAR CHEESE	0 44000 04577 7	04 FEB 19 05 FEB 19
1.35 OZ RITZ WHOLE WHEAT CRACKER SANDWICHES WITH CREAM CHEESE	0 44000 04580 7	06 FEB 19 07 FEB 19 08 FEB 19
1.35 OZ RITZ EVERYTHING CRACKER SANDWICHES WITH CREAM CHEESE	0 44000 04580 7	06 FEB 19 07 FEB 19 08 FEB 19
MIXED COOKIE CRACKER VARIETY 20 PACK	0 44000 04100 7	01 FEB 19 thru 04 FEB 19

Description	Retail UPC	Best When Used by Dates
MIXED COOKIE CRACKER VARIETY 40 PACK	0 44000 04221 0	31 JAN 19 thru 05 FEB 19

There have been no complaints of illness reported to Mondelēz Global to date in connection with these products. The company is conducting this recall as a precaution, based on the ingredient supplier's recall. Consumers who have these products should not eat them, and should discard any products they may have. Consumers can contact the company at 1-844-366 -1171, 24 hours a day to get more information about the recall, and Consumer Relations specialists are available Monday-Friday, 9am to 6pm EST. This recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.