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

RE: Recall Announcement (ODA/ODH) 2019-067

**Hercules Candy LLC Issues Allergy Alert on Undeclared Peanuts in Cashew Brittle Bits**

Hercules Candy LLC, of East Syracuse, NY, is recalling its 4-ounce packages of Cashew Brittle Bits because they may contain undeclared peanuts. People who have allergies to peanuts run the risk of serious or life-threatening allergic reaction if they consume this product. The recalled Cashew Brittle Bits were distributed from the brick and mortar retail in East Syracuse and nationally through the website [www.herculescandy.com](http://www.herculescandy.com).

The product comes in a 4-ounce, clear plastic package marked with a "Best By" date of 7/14/19 and a barcode number of 00369, both labels are on the back of the package. There are no UPC codes.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. The matter was brought to our attention by an online customer who sent an email. She is not allergic.

The recall was initiated after it was discovered that the peanut-containing product was distributed in packaging that did not reveal the presence of peanuts. Subsequent investigation indicates the problem was caused by a temporary breakdown in the company's production and packaging processes.

Production of the product has been suspended until FDA and the company are certain that the problem has been corrected.

Consumers who have purchased 4-ounce packages of Cashew Brittle Bits are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company at 1-315-463-4339 Monday through Friday from 10 am to 6 pm and Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm EST.