



March 14, 2018

To: CWD Customers  
From: Heidi Wietjes, MS, RD, LMNT, LD  
Re: Heartland Catfish Company recall

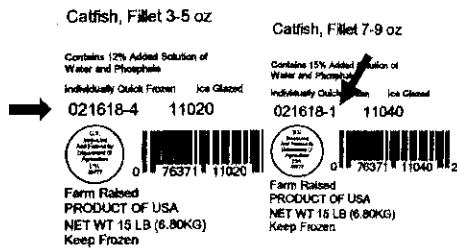
CWD has been notified of a recall impacting a limited amount of Heartland Catfish products due to a potential positive test for leucomalachite green in a batch of product dated 2/16/18. There have been no confirmed reports of adverse reaction due to consumption of these products, but out of an abundance of caution and concern for consumer safety, Heartland Catfish Company opted to voluntarily recall (USDA Class II recall) the potentially affected product processed on 2/16/18.

**The following product stocked by CWD is impacted by this recall:**

**CWD #51410 – Catfish Fillet 3-5 oz Unbr IQF 11020 15 lb (day code = 021618-4)**

**CWD #51423 – Catfish Fillet 7-9 oz Unbrd 11040 15 lb (day code = 021618-1)**

No other day codes of the above products are impacted by this recall & no other Heartland Catfish products stocked at CWD are impacted by this recall.



The potential contaminant came into contact with Heartland Catfish Company products prior to entering the processing plant such as in transport containers that may have transported non-catfish species. Leucomalachite green is approved for use in aquarium fish but is not approved for use in fish for human consumption. Scientific health risk assessments on the potential risk to humans from eating fish with levels of malachite green and/or leucomalachite green residues at 1 part per billion (ppb) or lower is remote, even if fish with these levels are consumed every day or over a lifetime.

Our records indicate that you may have received some of the recalled product. Please check your inventory. **If you have product in stock with the above day code, please isolate it and call your CWD DSC (or the CWD Credit Hotline at 800-652-0010 ext. 7159) to request pick up and credit. We will need the following information in order to process your pick up and credit request: CWD item Number, the Day Code on your product, and the amount of product needed to be picked up.** Requests for pick up/credit must be received by CWD no later than March 28, 2018. Please package any product to be returned in a box & label with your CWD Customer Number & Name to expedite credit.