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## MEDIA ALERT

### USFOODSAFETY.COM INVESTIGATES TWO PISTACHIO RECALLS DUE TO SALMONELLA AND IDENTIFIES SAME SUPPLIER TO BOTH PRODUCTS

WILMINGTON, MASS, MARCH 26, 2009: US Food Safety Corporation, creator of USFoodSafety.com, the first website to provide consumers with the most up-to-date food safety alerts, recalls, advice and columns, investigated two separate nationwide recalls of pistachio nuts and pistachio nut snack products, due to possible *Salmonella* contamination, in the same day.

After speaking with the product manufacturers and researching the food source, Susan Reef, president of US Food Safety Corporation, identified Setton Pistachio of Terra Bella, Inc. as the supplier to both contaminated products. When asked to comment, Setton Pistachio referred the inquiry to their headquarters, Setton International Foods, Inc. of Commack, NY. It was after business hours on the East coast and US Food Safety was unable to get a comment from Setton International. USFoodSafety.com will continue to monitor the situation and update consumers on any additional pistachio recalls through its daily blog, <http://blog.usfoodsafety.com/>.

The product recalls in question are from Back to Nature Foods Company and The Georgia Nut Company of Skokie, Illinois. Back to Nature Foods Company announced today a voluntary nationwide recall of its Nantucket Blend trail mix containing pistachio nuts that may have the potential to be contaminated with the *Salmonella* organism. This possible contamination is not connected with the recent outbreak associated with peanuts or peanut butter.

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The following Back to Nature products are being recalled and consumers should not eat them:

- *Back to Nature* Nantucket Blend trail mix, 28 oz. bag, UPC code 59283-00020 and a "best by" date between 08 20 09 and 12 12 09.
- *Back to Nature* Nantucket Blend trail mix, 10 oz. bag, UPC code 59283-31039 and a "best by" date between 11 04 09 and 12 12 09.

The Georgia Nut Company of Skokie, Illinois, announced a voluntary recall of certain bulk wholesale and retail products containing shelled pistachio nuts that have the potential to be contaminated with the *Salmonella* organism. The Company said it identified the potential as a result of a rigorous sampling and testing regimen it conducted with respect to shelled pistachios provided by a third-party supplier.

The voluntary recall includes the following products:

- Bulk Deluxe Mixed Nuts with shelled pistachios purchased at the Not Just Nuts store in Wauwatosa, WI from December 5, 2008 through March 24, 2009;
- Bulk or custom packaged Deluxe Mixed Nuts with shelled pistachios purchased at Georgia Nut retail stores in Skokie and Glenview, IL, Georgia Nut's Chocolate House location in Greenfield, WI, and through the Company's website from Dec 11, 2008 through March 23, 2009;
- Bulk or custom packaged Dry Roasted Shelled Pistachios purchased at Georgia Nut retail stores in Skokie and Glenview, IL, Georgia Nut's Chocolate House location in Greenfield, WI, and through the Company's website from Dec 3, 2008 through March 23, 2009;
- Mixed Nuts Deluxe Roasted and Salted Bulk with shelled pistachios purchased from clear plastic bulk bins in the produce department at Dominick's Finer Foods stores in the greater Chicagoland area from Dec. 10, 2008 through March 25, 2009.

### **About US Food Safety Corporation**

US Food Safety Corporation is a privately funded, woman-owned company located in Massachusetts. Through its web site USFoodSafety.com the company is the premier "one-stop" source of consumer information related to food alerts, recalls and safe food handling. To sign up for the latest food safety alerts, visit <http://www.usfoodsafety.com>