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SOL ANDINO IMPORT & EXPORT RECALLS GROUND COMIN (GROUND CUMIN) DUE TO LEAD CONTAMINATION

Sol Andino Import & Export, Jackson Heights, NY is recalling its 2 ounce packages of Ground Comin (Ground Cumin) because they were found to be contaminated with lead. The product contains lead levels, which if consumed, may cause health problems to consumers, particularly infants, small children, pregnant women, and those with underlying kidney disorders. If a child or a pregnant woman is exposed to lead for a prolonged period of time, permanent damage to central nervous system, learning disorders, developmental defects, and other long-term health problems can occur. Pregnant women, children and patients with underlying kidney problems who may have consumed this product should consult with their physician or health care provider.

The recalled Ground Cumin was distributed in retail stores in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. The product comes in a 2 ounce, clear plastic bag. No product code identified. The UPC code on the product is 884752003812

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem.

The contamination was discovered after routine sampling by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors and subsequent analysis by Food Laboratory personnel revealed the presence of excessive levels of lead in some 2 ounce packages of Ground Comin (Ground Cumin). Distribution of the product has been suspended while the company continues their investigation to find the source of the problem.

Consumers who have purchased 2 ounce packages of Ground Cumin are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company Sol Andino Import & Export at 917-288-4704.