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Vermont Reports Case of Salmonella Traced to Recalled Ground Beef

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BURLINGTON – The Vermont Department of Health is advising of a multi-state outbreak of foodborne illness, including one case in Vermont, traced to ground beef sold at Hannaford grocery.

A Vermonter was one of 14 people who ate ground beef contaminated with Salmonella Typhimurium purchased at a Hannaford store between Oct. 12 and Nov. 20.

Hannaford is recalling packages of ground beef with sell-by dates of Dec. 17, 2011 or earlier. The products subject to recall, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), are any size package of the following:

- "73% Hannaford Regular Ground Beef"
- "75% Hannaford Regular Ground Beef"
- "80% Hannaford Regular Ground Beef"
- "85% Hannaford Regular Ground Beef"
- "90% Hannaford Regular Ground Beef"
- "80% Taste of Inspirations Angus Ground Beef"
- "85% Taste of Inspirations Angus Ground Beef"
- "90% Taste of Inspirations Angus Ground Beef"
- "85% Nature's Place Ground Beef"
- "90% Nature's Place Ground Beef"

Symptoms of foodborne illness caused by Salmonella include fever, diarrhea and abdominal cramps. Salmonella can invade the bloodstream and cause life-threatening infections for people with weakened immune systems or other underlying health conditions.

Raw meat should always be cooked to safe internal temperatures before eating. The safe internal temperature for meat such as beef is 160° F, and should be checked with a food thermometer.

Anyone who has ground beef subject to the recall in their refrigerator or freezer should throw it out. Anyone with questions about the recall can call the Hannaford Customer Information Center, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., at 800-213-9040, and choose option 6.

For more information on the recall visit:

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Recall_100_2011_Release/index.asp

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