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CDPH Warns Not to Eat Daniella-Brand Mangoes Due to Health Risk

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SACRAMENTO

California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Director and State Public Health Officer Dr. Ron Chapman today warned people not to eat Daniella-brand mangoes because they may be contaminated with *Salmonella*. CDPH is currently investigating multiple illnesses in the state of California that may be related to the consumption of mangoes imported from Mexico.



The recalled mangoes were packed in Mexico and distributed by Splendid Products in Burlingame, California. These mangoes were sold between July 12, 2012 and August 29, 2012 at various stores throughout the United States. The mangoes were sold as individual fruit with the sticker brand "Daniella." Each fruit was also marked with a small sticker with one of the following codes: 4051, 4959, 4311, 4584 or 3114. Additional photographs of the recalled products are available on the CDPH

website.

As of August 29, 2012, California has 80 confirmed cases of *Salmonella* Braenderup with this outbreak strain. The outbreak began in early July and cases are continuing to be reported. Of patients with known clinical information, 26 (37 percent) have been hospitalized. No deaths have been reported.

Preliminary results from an epidemiological investigation indicated that mango consumption is the likely cause of the California outbreak. Nationally there are 103 cases from 16 states.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency recently announced a recall of Daniella-brand mangoes due to potential *Salmonella* contamination, after multiple illnesses were reported. The illnesses in Canada have been genetically matched to the outbreak strain in California.

CDPH is continuing its investigation and trace-back from the retailers through the distribution chain to the growers to identify the sources of mangoes related to California cases.

While the mangoes are no longer being sold, CDPH is concerned that consumers may still have some in their homes. Consumers in possession of these recalled mangoes should discard them or return them to the store for a refund.

Symptoms of <u>Salmonella</u> infection include fever, abdominal cramps and diarrhea, which may be bloody. Most infected people recover within a week. Some may develop complications that require

hospitalization. Infants, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems are at highest risk for more severe illness.

CDPH recommends that consumers experiencing any ill effects after consuming these products should consult their health care provider. Consumers that observe the product being offered for sale are encouraged to report the activity to the CDPH toll free complaint line at (800) 495-3232.

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