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Advisory	Recall of INDY Dedos Spicy and Sour Candies
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INCIDENT

- The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) today warned consumers not to eat INDY Dedos Spicy and Sour candies imported from Mexico after tests by CDPH found levels of lead that could cause health problems. Eating lead-contaminated candy is particularly harmful to infants, young children and pregnant women.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ACTION

- Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Staff will be contacting retail stores that may have the product to verify that the recalled product was pulled from shelves.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Division is warning consumers not to eat the recalled brands of Mexican candy they may still have in their homes. Consumers in possession of these candies should dispose of them. Consumers who find INDY Dedos Spicy and Sour candies for sale are encouraged to call the CDPH Complaint Hotline at 1-800-495-3232 or Environmental Health at (831) 454-2022

INFORMATION

- INDY Dedos Spicy and Sour candies were distributed by Dulceria Guadalajara Inc. of Commerce, which has initiated a voluntary recall of the products and is working with CDPH to ensure that all products in commerce are promptly removed. CDPH is working to identify other California distributors that might sell these products.

INDY Dedos Spicy and Sour candy is a reddish brown bar of chewy candy. The candy is packaged in a clear plastic packet containing 0.7 ounces. The clear plastic packet measures at one inch wide by three and a half inches long. The plastic packet is printed with the name "INDY Dedos" in large yellow letters with a pink background. The label also has an illustrated character in the center of the plastic wrapper of a brown fox within a yellow circle wearing a brown-rimmed hat with its ears poking through the hat. The fox character is smiling and wearing a white shirt. The package label states "spicy and sour candy" in



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English and “dulce acidulado y picosito” in Spanish. This candy is sold in a box with plastic covering packages of 12 pieces for a gross weight of 8.4 ounce per container and has the writing of Dedos in bold pink letters with the fox and the word “INDY” appearing at the top of the box.

Pregnant women and parents of children who may have consumed INDY Dedos candy should consult their physician or health care provider to determine if medical testing is needed. For more information about lead poisoning, consumers are advised to contact their local childhood lead poisoning prevention program or public health department. .

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