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## RECALL NOTIFICATION

**Date:** May 3, 2024

**To: Peirone Produce: Lonna Hilton**

Dear Lonna:

As you know from our earlier conversation, RPE is voluntarily recalling the tan-colored fiberboard trays used in specific Tasteful Selections® potato products because there is the potential that during the production of the tray, a piece of stainless-steel wire may have become embedded in the fiberboard tray, potentially creating a spark and igniting the tray when microwaved.

The company is working with the Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC), which will determine if a public notice is required. This is not a food safety issue and does not affect the fresh potatoes in the package.

The recall includes products in the tan-colored fiberboard tray (See the photo on page 3); it does not include the same products packed in black poly trays.

Please reference the attached product table for a list of recalled products we shipped to you and carry out the following actions:

- Please search your inventories for the recalled products,
- Complete and return page 2 of this notice and use the attached PDF to notify us of any existing inventory,
- Destroy the recalled products under your control,
- **Do not sell or further distribute the recalled products.**

We initiated this recall after an internal investigation confirmed three units, out of the more than a million total units shipped, partially ignited. We have spoken with the three consumers who called us and no injuries were reported.

We sincerely regret this inconvenience. We are diligently working with the tray manufacturer to remedy the defect. Only when we are confident of the safety of the fiberboard trays will we once again use them as part of our sustainable packaging program.

At the end of this email is a response form. Please complete and return it to help us demonstrate to the CPSC the efficacy of this recall.

Thank you for your assistance,

Sincerely,

Russel Wysocki, CEO

Ross Verner, President



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## RECALL RESPONSE FORM

**May 1, 2024 Voluntary Recall of the fiberboard trays used in specific Tasteful Selections® potato products shipped from November 1, 2023, through April 17, 2024,**

Please refer to the attached product table for a list of recalled products shipped to you.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1. Did your firm receive notification that RPE is recalling the tan-colored fiberboard trays in specific Tasteful Selections® microwavable potatoes shipped from November 1, 2023 through April 17, 2024 (see attached product table)?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did your firm receive shipments of the products being recalled? (If no, please sign and return).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you have any of the recalled products on hand now? (Please check inventories before answering).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

4. If the answer to question 3 is YES:

How many units of each item do you have in inventory now? Please indicate in the attached table.

Do you intend to destroy the product as requested? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

5. If the answer to question 4 is NO, please explain your intentions

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Firm name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE EMAIL THE COMPLETED RESPONSE FORM TO Stephanie at [recalls@rpespu.com](mailto:recalls@rpespu.com)



The recalled items are in a tan-colored fiberboard tray.

The same Tasteful Selections brand products in a **black poly tray** are **NOT** being recalled.



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## Recall Product Listing

Brand: Tasteful Selections, 10 SKUs

Sizing: Variable, 12oz-16oz

Date Codes: 83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35

Disposition: Destruction

Date Code Key: 83- RPE Identifier, 11- 2-digit month, 01-2 digit day, 23- 2 digit year, 35- 2 digit packhouse ID

Date Code Location: Side of sleeve within date code box

*\*Please note that the same Tasteful Selections brand products in a black poly tray are NOT impacted by the recall*

Impacted Inventory should include any inventory matching the below UPC, size and affected date codes throughout all levels of supply chain (DC, store level etc.) **Completed form should be returned to [recalls@rpespud.com](mailto:recalls@rpespud.com)**

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	UPC	SIZE	DATE CODES (located on side of sleeve)	IMPACTED INVENTORY (in single units)
Tasteful Selections American Chophouse	8 26088 99102 9	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Garlic Parmesan	8 26088 97102 1	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Brown Sugar Cinnamon	8 26088 81406 9	12oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Maple Bourbon	8 26088 88006 4	12oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Loaded Potato	8 26088 85601 6	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Garden Herb	8 26088 86601 3	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Sea Salt & Herb Organic	8 26088 98902 6	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Garlic & Brown Butter	8 26088 62601 3	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Garlic Parsley	8 26088 63605 0	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	
Tasteful Selections Zesty Italian Herb	8 26088 64605 9	16oz	83-11-1-23-35 through 83-04-17-24-35	

## Product Listing View:

### Garden Herb



### Garlic Parmesan



### Organic Sea Salt & Herb



## Roasted Garlic & Brown Butter



## American Chophouse



## Loaded Potato





Brown Sugar Cinnamon



Maple Bourbon



Potatoes Your Way Garlic Parsley



Potatoes Your Way Zesty Italian Herb



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