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Re: Traceability and Recall Program Statement

Ardent Mills has a comprehensive recall policy that is rooted in our product traceability system built on an electronic integrated supply chain information system platform. This system includes the recording of all pertinent information, including description, lot numbers, quantity, date, source, etc., of all raw materials, packaging, and ingredients at the time of receipt. The lot numbers and quantities of materials used in the manufacturing process are tracked and all finished products are assigned unique lot codes. The finished product lot code numbers and quantities are recorded as customer orders are assembled and shipped and are included on the shipping documentation provided to the receiving Distribution Center or Customer.

Ardent Mills periodically audits the product traceability systems by conducting practice recalls and traceability exercises. These exercises are done for three purposes. First, as a means of assuring that key personnel stay trained on how to efficiently execute their tasks in the event of a market withdrawal or recall. Second, they provide a means of identifying opportunities for continual improvement and refinement of our systems. Third, the information generated from these is used to verify compliance to internal standards and to the requirements specified in the FDA rule on the Establishment, Maintenance, and Availability of Records. The exercise results are reviewed during our industry recognized third party audits.

Sincerely,
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