

CFS follows up on beverages that might contain high levels of chlorate

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department is very concerned about media reports on some batches of several kinds of beverages of the Coca-Cola Company that might contain higher levels of chlorate which are being recalled in certain areas in Europe. The CFS today (January 28) has contacted local importers and retailers to follow up on the incident. A preliminary investigation by the CFS revealed that Swire Coca-Cola HK Ltd has not imported or sold the affected batches of products.

Chlorate is a pesticide and a disinfectant against bacteria. Long-term intake of excessive chlorate may affect the thyroid function. Members of the public are advised not to consume the affected batches of the products if they have purchased any overseas. The trade should also stop using or selling the products concerned immediately.

Details of the products concerned are as follows:

(1)

Brand: FUZE TEA

Product name: BLACK TEA PEACH HIBISCUS, GREEN TEA MANGO CHAMOMILE, SPARKLING BLACK TEA LEMON

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 200ml glass, 250ml can and 330ml can

(2)

Brand: FANTA

Product name: ORANGE, ZERO SUGAR ORANGE, AGRUMES, EXOTIC, LEMON, ZERO SUGAR PINEAPPLE GRAPEFRUIT

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 200ml glass, 250ml can and 330ml can

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Brand: MINUTE MAID

Product name: MULTIVITAMINS, APPLE

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 200ml glass and 150ml can

(4)

Brand: COCA-COLA

Product name: ORIGINAL TASTE, ZERO SUGAR, ZERO SUGAR NO CAFFEINE, LIGHT, CHERRY, ZERO SUGAR CHERRY, ZERO SUGAR VANILLA

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 200ml glass, 1 litre glass, 150ml can, 250ml can and 330ml can

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Brand: NALU

Product name: ENERGY GREEN, EXOTIC, BOTANICAL YUZU ROSEMARY, FROST, BOTANICAL

STRAWBERRY RHUBARB

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 250ml can and 330ml can

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Brand: ROYAL BLISS

Product name: TONIC WATER, AGRUMES YLANG YLANG

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 250ml can

(7)

Brand: SPRITE

Product name: LEMON-LIME, ZERO SUGAR

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 250ml can and 330ml can

(8)

Brand: TROPICO

Product name: L'ORIGINAL

Production code: 328GE to 338GE

Packaging: 330ml can

The CFS will closely monitor the progress of the incident. An investigation is ongoing.