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Public Health Alert

Recall of Anchor and Pams Fresh Cream

I would be grateful if you could distribute the following information from the Ministry of Health to relevant staff in your organisation.

If you would also like to receive this by email for ease of distribution, storage and retrieval please advise RPH of your email on rph@huttvalleydhb.org.nz.

Kind regards,

Dr Annette Nesdale

Medical Officer of Health

Regional Public Health

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The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) informed the Ministry of Health on 13 January 2014 that Fonterra Brands had detected the presence of *E. coli* in samples of fresh cream during routine testing at one dairy processing plant. As such, Fonterra Brands have voluntarily recalled certain batches of Anchor and Pam's fresh cream. Testing is currently underway to determine whether the *E. coli* detected is a pathogenic strain. The affected products have been sold in major supermarkets, food service outlets and dairies throughout the Upper North Island from Northland down to Turangi including Gisborne.

The affected batch numbers are:

Product	Batch Number	Best Before Date
Pams Cream 500ml	1400684206	21/01/2014
Anchor Cream 500ml	1400684207	21/01/2014
Anchor Cream 300ml	1400684208	21/01/2014
Pams Cream 300ml	1400684209	21/01/2014

Please refer to the MPI website for further information regarding the recall:

<http://www.foodsmart.govt.nz/food-safety/recalls/latest-recalls/>

The Ministry of Health has some general information on *E. coli* infection on our website:

<http://www.health.govt.nz/e-coli>

Please note that all *E. coli* isolates should be referred to the Enteric Reference Laboratory at ESR for typing. The NZ Paediatric Surveillance Unit have also been advised of the recall.

If you have queries about the recall, please contact Julie Collins, Director, Systems and Change at MPI on 04 894 0522 or JulieR.Collins@mpi.govt.nz

The Ministry of Health is working closely with MPI and will continue to monitor the situation closely. The Ministry of Health will update you when more information becomes available.

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