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ALDI Voluntarily Recalls Maradol Papayas from Mexico Due to Possible Salmonella Contamination

Batavia, Ill. (July 25, 2017) – Out of an abundance of caution ALDI has voluntarily recalled all Maradol papayas from Mexico sold in its stores after being informed that federal, state and local officials are investigating Salmonella Kiambu and Salmonella Thompson illnesses linked to Maradol papayas from Mexico. Salmonella is an organism that can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems.

ALDI immediately removed the affected products from its stores' selling floors.

Maradol papayas from Mexico were sold individually in stores. Maradol papayas are a large, oval fruit that weighs 3 or more pounds, with green skins that turn yellow when the fruit is ripe. The flesh inside the fruit is salmon-colored.

ALDI takes the safety and integrity of the products it sells seriously. If customers have product affected by this voluntary recall, they should discard it immediately or return it to their local store for a full refund.

The FDA encourages consumers with questions about food safety to call 1-888-SAFEFOOD Monday through Friday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern Time, or to consult the [fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov) website: <http://www.fda.gov>.

ALDI sincerely regrets any inconvenience and concern this voluntary recall may cause.

About ALDI Inc.

A leader in the grocery retailing industry, ALDI operates more than 1,600 US stores in 35 states. More than 40 million customers each month save up to 50 percent on their grocery bills, benefiting from the ALDI simple and streamlined approach to retailing. ALDI sells the most frequently purchased grocery and household items, primarily under its exclusive brands, which must meet or exceed the national name brands on taste and quality. ALDI is so confident in the quality of its products, the company offers a Double Guarantee: If for any reason a customer is not 100 percent satisfied with any ALDI food product, ALDI will gladly replace the product and refund the purchase price. For the seventh year in a row, ALDI was recognized as a value leader among US grocery stores by Market Force Information® survey of US consumers. For more information about ALDI, visit aldi.us.*

**Based upon a price comparison of comparable products sold at leading national retail grocery stores.*