

# Southeastern Mills, Inc. Announces Recall of Certain Food Ingredients and Food Mixes Due to Possible Health Risk

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## Announcement

Rome, GA — Southeastern Mills, Inc. is initiating a voluntary recall of certain quantities of food ingredients and branded food mixes (Southeastern Mills® Biscuit Gravy Mix, Southeastern Mills® Country Biscuit Mix, Southeastern Mills® Buttermilk Drop Biscuit Mix, Southeastern Mills® Easy Drop Cheddar Garlic Drop Biscuit Mix, Shore Lunch® Original Breading and Shore Lunch® Cajun Style Breading) because these ingredients and food mixes contain milk or buttermilk powder purchased from Valley Milk Products, Inc. that is potentially contaminated with *Salmonella*.

*Salmonella* is one of the most common causes of food poisoning in the United States. This organism can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

*Salmonella* is killed by proper cooking and pasteurization.

The recalled food ingredients are sold by Southeastern Mills to other food manufacturers and further processed into finished foods sold in various food distribution channels. Southeastern Mills is contacting affected customers directly and providing them with complete details of the items impacted. It is noted that the customer may not need to recall if they have a cooking step validated to kill *Salmonella*.

The following branded food mixes are also affected by the recall:

Brand and Product Name	Size	>UPC	Best By Date
Southeastern Mills Biscuit Gravy Mix	4.5 oz.	0-70292-15326-5	6/10/17 7/12/17 5/17/17
Southeastern Mills Country Biscuit Mix	6 oz.	0-70292-15157-5	9/28/17 8/9/17
Southeastern Mills Biscuit Gravy Mix	2.75 oz.	0-70292-16154-3	5/19/17
Southeastern Mills Buttermilk Drop Biscuit Mix	7.4 oz.	0-70292-18356-9	8/16/17
Southeastern Mills Easy Drop Cheddar Garlic Biscuit Mix	7 oz.	0-70292-17840-4	10/11/17 8/23/17 8/30/17 8/8/17 7/26/17 8/12/17 9/2/17
Shore Lunch Original Recipe Breading Mix	9 oz.	0-24739-11000-7	1/27/18 2/3/18 12/27/17 2/22/18 1/13/18 1/20/18 4/18/18 1/19/18
Shore Lunch Cajun Style Breading Mix	9 oz.	0-24739-15000-3	1/28/18 12/15/17 1/22/18 12/20/17

Consumers who have purchased these products are urged to discontinue use and return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact the company by calling 1-800-334-4468, 8 am - 5 pm EST daily or by e-mailing [fda@semills.com](mailto:fda@semills.com).

Southeastern Mills takes food safety very seriously. Parties with questions may contact the company at 1-800-334-4468 from 8 am - 5 pm EST daily or [fda@semills.com](mailto:fda@semills.com).

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