



On Sunday 2/24 we were informed by our outside testing lab that we had some products which were potentially out of specification. Our Team worked feverishly to identify the location of the product in the distribution channel and began the process of removing the affected product from the distribution system of our Retail Partners. With a great deal of urgency and openness we aggressively moved to return this product back to our distribution center.

On Tuesday 2/26 we determined that we would possibly not be able to recover all cases produced with the four Code Dates in question. Based on that information (We now have all but 24 cases of the product in our distribution center) and with an eye toward protecting the American consumer and our Retail partners, we made the decision to announce a Voluntary Recall of all products with the four specific Code dates in question. Working with the Food Safety Department of our Retail Partner a directive was sent to the stores that may have received the four code dates in question to immediately destroy any product on hand at store level.

The only products that were ever subject to the recall were the four Code Dates we have reported to the FDA. These are: D3245D, D3145E, F3145E and D3245E.

UPDATE = Today we are announcing an important update to the previous market action to remove certain production lots of Chocolate Covered Marshmallow Eggs. **All products are now confirmed not to contain Salmonella and are safe for consumption.**

We previously announced a voluntary recall on February 27 in response to a test result indicating the potential for Salmonella contamination in a sample taken during routine post-production testing. **Subsequent testing and analysis of that sample by an independent third-party testing laboratory has confirmed that Salmonella is not present.** Accordingly, all post-production samples of Zachary Chocolate Covered Marshmallow Eggs have now been confirmed not to contain Salmonella and are safe for consumption.

Zachary Confections has notified the FDA of the updated testing and analysis and is working with the FDA to reflect the change in the substance of the company's market action in the FDA's records.

To date Zachary Confections has not received any consumer illness complaints associated with its products.

Anyone requiring more information should contact Zachary Confections Customer Service at (765) 654-8356 between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm EST, or send an email to MEC@zc-inc.com

"I am proud of the swift responsible actions taken by our team. I am comfortable with our decision to communicate with our Retail Partners and the FDA about this possible issue. We are confident that our efforts as well as those of our retail partner, to remove the suspect product from the distribution channels, resulted in insuring that the American consumer was protected at all times." Said Jack Zachary.