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## Smith's Asks Customers to Check Freezers for Beef Products Recalled Due to Possible Health Risk

SALT LAKE CITY, June 25, 2009 – Smith's Food and Drug Stores said today it is recalling select store-brand and store-packaged beef products because the beef was supplied by JBS Swift Beef Co. and may be contaminated with *E. coli* O157:H7.

Smith's Food and Drug Stores in the following states are included in this recall: Arizona (4 stores), Idaho (4 stores), Montana (4 stores), Nevada (40 stores), New Mexico (26 stores), Utah (48 stores) and Wyoming (7 stores).

To date, no illnesses have been confirmed in connection with the beef products.

### Item Descriptions:

Smith's is asking customers to carefully check their freezers at home for the following store-brand and store-packaged beef products **with sell-by dates from May 5 to May 24, 2009:**

- Ball Tip Steak, Petite Cut
- Lean 85/15 Ground Beef ST
- Ground Beef (Not to Exceed 15% Fat)
- Cube Steak
- Beef for Stew
- Beef for Fondue
- Beef Fajita Meat
- Beef for Stir Fry

The items listed above include beef products in foam tray packages wrapped in clear cellophane and purchased at Smith's in-store fresh meat cases. Customers who have any of the beef items included in this recall should not consume the products and should return them to a store for a full refund or replacement.

*E. coli* O157:H7 is a potentially deadly bacterium that can cause bloody diarrhea, dehydration, and in the most severe cases, kidney failure. The very young, seniors and people with weak immune systems are the most susceptible to food borne illness. For more information, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

For more information, please visit our website at [www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/recalls](http://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/recalls). Consumers who have questions or concerns may also call 1-800-632-6900.

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