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STAR-K KOSHER CERTIFICATION

## Consumer Alerts

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**Joy Cone brand Ice Cream Cones Fun Pack**, sold in Costco stores, containing five individual varieties of cones, among which is a chocolate coated dairy cone, bears only the Star-K *Pareve* symbol on the outside box. The Star-D Dairy symbol, pertaining to the chocolate coated cones, was inadvertently left off the box. The individual cones inside the box are labeled correctly.

**Uncle Ben's Whole Grain and Wild Rice: Mushroom Recipe** bears an unauthorized OU symbol and is not certified as kosher by the Orthodox Union. Corrective measures are being taken.

**Chunk o Fruti brand Strawberry Dipped in Chocolate Fruit Bars**, with a French/English label, are incorrectly marked with a Star-K symbol. The coating is made on dairy equipment and should bear the Star-D Dairy symbol.

**Tabatchnick Soup Singles, New York Style Chicken Broth with Noodles and Vegetables**, was inadvertently labeled as Kof-K *Pareve*. The product is, in fact, certified as Kof-K Meat. Corrective measures are being taken.

**Ben-David Winery**, based in Moshav Sdei Eliezer, was found to be using the OK symbol on bottles of Merlot 2008 (a dry red wine) without authorization. The label states OK-P (Kosher for Passover), however, in actuality the wine has a regular non-*Mehadrin* supervision and is the product of *heter mechira* grapes.

**Maui Onion Potato Chips, Dirty Potato Chips** - Some packages were mistakenly labeled with a plain OU symbol, without the Dairy designation. This product contains dairy and is actually OU-D.

**The Smirnoff Triple Distilled Vodka 100 Proof** with the blue label, 200ml and 275ml bottles, have been mislabeled as KSA Dairy. This product is, in fact, KSA *Pareve*.

**Edomune Advanced Probiotic Capsules** bear an unauthorized OU symbol. This product is not certified by the Orthodox Union.

## Product Updates

**Trader Joe's Chocolate Chips** are no longer certified OK *Pareve*. They are certified OK Dairy (non-*cholov Yisroel*) when bearing the OK-D on the label.

**Original Oreo Sandwich Cookie and Oreo Double Stuf Sandwich Cookie** - At the present time, Original Oreo Sandwich Cookie and Oreo Double Stuf Sandwich Cookie do not contain dairy ingredients, though they are manufactured on dairy equipment. The equipment is not necessarily cleaned before the production of the Oreo Original and Double Stuf Sandwich Cookies, and there may be a small amount of dairy residue remaining from prior productions. Nonetheless, the dairy component would be minimal and is nullified (*batel b'shishim*). Therefore, Oreo Original and Double Stuf Sandwich Cookies may be consumed after meat and poultry, but not simultaneously.

**Mon Cuisine frozen meals** - When warming Mon Cuisine frozen meals in a microwave, consumers should double wrap the carton. Mon Cuisine is changing its packaging to alleviate this issue by overwrapping the carton.

**Jason bread crumbs** are now *Pas Yisroel*, which is listed on the label. If the old label states that it is distributed by "The Manischewitz Co." or "RAB Foodgroup", it is *Pas Yisroel*. However, if the label states "Distributed by R.F.D Newark NJ", it is not *Pas Yisroel*.

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