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## Heading The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) - Recall of PC Organics brand Apple, Blueberry & Green Pea strained baby food in Canada by Loblaw Companies Limited due to possible Clostridium botulinum contamination. The The CFIA issued a notice regarding a recall of PC Organics brand incident Apple, Blueberry & Green Pea strained baby food in Canada by Loblaw Companies Limited due to possible Clostridium botulinum contamination. Product being recalled: Recall date: February 3, 2017 Company / Firm: Loblaw Companies Limited Distribution: National Extent of the distribution: Retail **Brand** Code(s) on **Common Name** Size **UPC** Name Product PC Apple, Blueberry & Green 128 0 60383 06292 2017 OC 31 **Organics** Pea strained baby food mL Details of products being recalled are listed in the CFIA website. Source CFIA website http://www.inspection.gc.ca/about-the-cfia/newsroom/food-recal <u>l-warnings/complete-listing/2017-02-03</u> /eng/1486183609229/1486183611972 **Position** of Information on product distribution outside Canada is not **CFS** available from the CFIA website. CFS is investigating whether the affected batch has been imported to Hong Kong and is contacting the Canadian authority for further information. Preliminary investigation did not identify local sale or import of

Acquisition of the products through online purchase or

the affected product.

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international travel cannot be excluded.

- Consumers should discard the products and not consume them.
- CFS will remain vigilant and monitor for any new development and take appropriate actions when necessary.
- Investigation by CFS is ongoing.
- C. botulinum is a bacterium that produces heat-resistant spores which are widely distributed in the environment. When the conditions become favourable, for example in the absence of oxygen, the spores germinate, grow and excrete dangerous neurotoxins that can cause a rare but potentially fatal illness called botulism. Botulism is a rare but potentially life-threatening disease caused by a neurotoxin produced by the bacteria. Children aged over one and adults with normal gastrointestinal tract are normally resistant to colonisation by Clostridium botulinum. However, infants under one-year-old immunocompromised adults, those using antimicrobials, or those with bowel abnormalities may predispose to colonisation after consuming the spores of the botulinum bacteria, which then grow in the intestine and release toxin, causing botulism (also known as intestinal botulism).
- Patients with intestinal botulism may present with constipation and poor feeding. Botulism is however not communicable from person to person. The disease may be life-threatening with serious complications.

## Additional information

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