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CDPH WARNS CONSUMERS NOT TO EAT CORN JELLY CANDY

SACRAMENTO – Dr. Mark Horton, director of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), today warned consumers not to eat “Corn Jelly Choice American Sweet Corn Flavour” candy because CDPH tests have found the candy contained excess levels of lead.

Richin Trading, Inc. of Alhambra, in Southern California, is initiating a voluntarily recall of this candy to ensure that the contaminated candies are removed from the market. Consumers in possession of the candy should discard it immediately. The individually wrapped candies, which are bright yellow and shaped like corn cobs, are sold in a clear cellophane package with red borders at the top and bottom. A picture of an ear of corn is present on the front of the packaging.



A recent CDPH analysis of this candy found as much as 0.12 parts per million (micrograms per gram) of lead. Consumers who eat a serving of the candy could ingest 6 micrograms of lead, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has recommended that children under age six should not consume more than 6 micrograms of lead each day from all food sources. Pregnant women and parents of children who may have consumed this candy should consult their physician or health care provider to determine if medical testing is

needed.

Consumers who find this candy for sale are encouraged to call the CDPH Hotline at (800) 495-3232.

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