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Recall Issued for Tehina Puree de Sésame Bio

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The Environmental Health Division is advising the public of an **immediate recall** of the product **TEHINA PUREE DE SESAME BIO**, following international reports of contamination with **salmonella**.

The recall was issued in response to alerts from Rappel Conso and the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF), indicating microbiological non-compliance in a batch of **Tehina Organic Sesame Paste-Tahini**, under the **Bornibus**, brand. The affected product is sold in **240g glass jars**, bearing **batch number 5013HB** and a **best before date of January 2027**.

This product has been distributed in several international markets, including the Virgin Islands. Local retailers have since removed the affected items from store shelves. However, residents who may have already purchased the product are urged to discontinue use immediately and return it to the place of purchase or dispose of it safely.

Consuming food contaminated with *Salmonella* spp. may result in symptoms such as vomiting, diarrhea, fever, and headaches, typically within 48 hours. While many individuals recover without treatment, symptoms may be more severe in young children, older adults, and persons with weakened immune symptoms. Anyone experiencing symptoms after consuming this product is advised to consult a healthcare provider and disclose the potential exposure.

The Environmental Health Division continues to monitor the situation and will provide updates as necessary. Members of the public may contact the Division at (284) 468-5110 for additional information.