



Bidfood statement on mustard ingredients contaminated with peanuts

Background Information

Bidfood is aware of a number of recent news reports and recalls related to mustard ingredients contaminated with peanuts.

This is due to contaminated mustard ingredients from a producer in India. The FSA (Food Standards Agency) have identified one company who has supplied these ingredients for use in UK food (FGS Ingredients Ltd.). There is no evidence other suppliers are affected so far.

Whilst implicated products are being identified, and because of the severity of some allergic reactions to peanuts the FSA is taking a precautionary approach and is advising people who have a peanut allergy to avoid consuming foods that contain or may contain mustard, mustard powder or mustard flour because they may have been contaminated with peanuts.

Food Standards Agency's Director of Food Policy, Rebecca Sudworth, said:

"Those with a peanut allergy should avoid consuming products containing mustard as an ingredient until we identify the individual products affected. Parents and carers of children who have a peanut allergy should take care to check the labels of food they buy and, if eating out, or getting a takeaway, ask the restaurant or cafe about foods that might contain mustard.

Further details can be found here: [Urgent Allergy Advice: Mustard Ingredients Contaminated with Peanuts](#).

What is Bidfood doing?

Bidfood takes matters of this nature incredibly seriously, and we are in contact with our suppliers regarding their sourcing of mustard and mustard-containing ingredients.

We will continue to monitor the situation closely and update this statement as and when further information becomes available.