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Tylenol Extra Strength Recalled (225 count bottles)

NOTICE

Announced on June 29, 2011, McNeil Consumer Healthcare has issued a recall of one lot of Tylenol Extra Strength Caplets, 225 count bottles, due to the presence of an unusual smell.

BACKGROUND

McNeil Consumer Healthcare has indicated that Tylenol lot number ABA619 is being recalled due to patient reports of an unusual, moldy odor that has been linked to the presence of 2,4,6-tribromoanisole (TBA). McNeil indicates that a total of 60,912 bottles are included in this lot that was manufactured in February 2009. Although TBA is considered a non-toxic chemical often found in shipping pallets used for product storage and transportation, its unusual odor has been known to cause temporary gastrointestinal adverse effects, including nausea and vomiting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

At this time, consumers who are in possession of the affected lot should discontinue using the product and contact McNeil Consumer Healthcare at 1-888-222-6036 or online at McNeil's website, www.tylenol.com, to receive instructions on product replacement. Patients are encouraged to contact their healthcare provider if they have questions about possible adverse effects associated with this product.

Reference: Tylenol Extra Strength Caplets, 225 Count Bottles: Recall – Uncharacteristic Odor. FDA MedWatch.
<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/SafetyInformation/SafetyAlertsforHumanMedicalProducts/ucm261509.htm> <Accessed June 30, 2011>

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