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Topic: TUNA: Change in Can Size of National and Store Brands

Dear WIC Retail Vendor:

This letter is to serve as notice that the can size for tuna is changing. The can size is changing from a 6-ounce size can to a 5-ounce size can. This changeover has begun and vendors are already receiving the new can size.

Because of this changeover there is already a problem arising with the WIC checks. WIC checks already issued to the participants state they may receive only four (4) 6-ounce cans of tuna. As a result, vendors are refusing to allow participants to receive the 5-ounce size cans.

As of August 12, 2008 WIC and Nutrition Services is authorizing vendors to accept the WIC checks that have tuna on them and allow the participants to receive either of the following:

- **Four (4) cans of water packed only tuna in 6-ounce cans; or**
- **Five (5) cans of water packed only tuna in 5-ounce cans.**

Please immediately reset your registers to allow for both the 5 and 6-ounce cans of water packed tuna. Effective August 12, 2008 the WIC checks are being printed to include both the 5 and 6-ounce can description.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact a member of my staff or me at (573) 751-6204. When you dial this number you will get an automated answering system, at the prompt press "2", then press "6" and ask for the Vendor Group.

Sincerely,

Randy J. Walton
WIC Vendor Coordinator

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