



# COVER SHEET

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**To:**  
Purchasing or Regulations  
Department

**Date:**  
3/22/2022

**Pages:** 5 (Including cover page)

**Regarding:**  
Abbott – Similac, Alimentum, Elecare  
Powder Formula – Various Items

**Comments:**

Dear Distributor,

Attached is a letter we received from Abbott regarding the recall on Similac, Alimentum, Elecare. Our records indicate that you purchased this product from us. Please read attached letter and check your inventory for the items listed under "Affected Product List." The products under recall have a multidigit number on the bottom of the container starting with the first two digits 22 through 37, contains K8, SH, or Z2 and with an expiration date of April 1, 2022 or later. If you have any of this product in stock, please fill out attached "Recall Response Form" so that affected product can be returned. **If you have any questions please feel free to contact me. It is very important that we receive a response, a record of receipt is very important in documentation of these types of notices.** Additionally, if you have distributed these products to your customers, please advise them of the recall.

Thanks,

Michael Patton

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February 18, 2022

Subject: Urgent Voluntary Product Recall - Powder Formula

Dear Healthcare Professional,

Abbott is initiating a proactive, voluntary product recall of certain powder formulas (Similac, Alimentum, and EleCare) manufactured in Sturgis, Michigan, one of the company's manufacturing facilities.

Abbott is voluntarily recalling these products after four consumer complaints related to *Cronobacter sakazakii* or *Salmonella* Newport in infants who had consumed powder formula manufactured in our Sturgis, Michigan facility. Additionally, as part of Abbott's quality processes, we conduct routine testing for *Cronobacter sakazakii* and other pathogens in our manufacturing facilities. During testing in our Sturgis, Michigan facility, we found evidence of *Cronobacter sakazakii* in the plant in non-product contact areas. We found no evidence of *Salmonella* Newport.

Importantly, no distributed product has tested positive for the presence of either of these bacteria. Abbott conducts extensive quality checks on each completed batch of powder formula, including microbiological analysis prior to release. All infant formula powder finished products are tested for *Cronobacter sakazakii*, *Salmonella* Newport and other pathogens and they must test negative before any product is released.

While Abbott's testing of finished product detected no pathogens, we are taking action by recalling the powder formula manufactured in this facility with an expiration date of April 1, 2022 or later. ***No Abbott liquid formulas are impacted by this recall, including 2oz ready-to-feed.*** Additionally, no powder formulas or nutrition products produced in any other facility are impacted by the recall.

This recall only affects the products listed in the attached materials, which also provides instructions on how to identify specific lot numbers that may be in your inventory.

#### **What Healthcare Professionals Should Do**

- Please immediately check your inventory for affected product. Do not distribute affected product and place these products on hold. Your Abbott Representative will provide additional communication on the process to return the affected powder product.
- The list of affected products is attached.

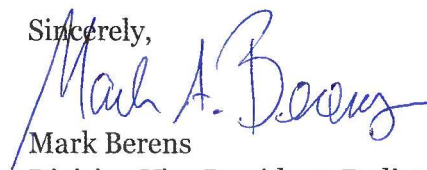
**Instructions Provided to Parents and Caregivers**

- To find out if a product is included in this recall, visit [similacrecall.com](http://similacrecall.com) and type in the code on the bottom of the package, or call +1-800-986-8540 (U.S.) and follow the instructions provided. No action is needed for previously consumed product.
- If caregivers have questions about feeding their child, they have been instructed to contact their healthcare professional.
- The products under recall have a multidigit number on the bottom of the container starting with the first two digits 22 through 37, contains K8, SH, or Z2 and with an expiration date of April 1, 2022, or after.

If you have any questions, please contact your Abbott Sales Representative or an Abbott Consumer Relations Representative at 1-800-986-8540, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience this action has caused you and appreciate your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Mark Berens

Division Vice President, Pediatric Sales

## Affected Product List

Item/UPC	Item/UPC Description
64715	ALIM 12.1OZ PWD 6CT
64719	ALIM 19.8OZ PWD 4CT
64717	ALIM ADV 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
68398	SIM ALIM TODD HMO 12.1OZ PWD 6CT
55251	ELECARE IN 14.1OZ PWD 6CT
5525135	ELECARE IN 14.1OZ PWD 6CT PRI
66275	ELECARE JR BAN 14.1OZ PWD 6CT
66273	ELECARE JR CHO 14.1OZ PWD 6CT
55253	ELECARE JR UNFL 14.1OZ PWD 6CT
56585	ELECARE JR VAN 14.1OZ PWD 6CT
54598	HMF 0.9G PWD 3-50PKS
68610	SIM 3TC 34OZ PWD 6CT
68063	SIM 3TC ADV 20.6OZ PWD 4CT
68065	SIM 3TC ADV 30.3OZ PWD 4CT
68195	SIM 3TC ADV 30.3OZ PWD 4CT ECOM
68067	SIM 3TC ADV 40OZ PWD 6CT CLUB
68109	SIM 3TC ADV 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
68070	SIM 3TC SENS 20.1OZ PWD 4CT
68072	SIM 3TC SENS 29.5OZ PWD 4CT
68196	SIM 3TC SENS 29.5OZ PWD 4CT ECOM
68611	SIM 3TC SENS 34OZ PWD 6CT
68074	SIM 3TC SENS 40OZ PWD 6CT CLUB
68118	SIM 3TC SENS 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
5595776	SIM ADV 12.4OZ PWD 6CT
68084	SIM ADV 20.6OZ PWD 6CT
67549	SIM ADV 34OZ PWD 2CT
68092	SIM ORG 20.6OZ PWD 4CT
68099	SIM ORG A2 20.6OZ PWD 4CT
68104	SIM ORG A2 TOD 20.6OZ PWD 4CT
66655	SIM PRO-ADV 2.13LB/34OZ PWD 6CT CLUB
68088	SIM PRO-ADV 20.6OZ PWD 4CT
67922	SIM PRO-ADV 2FL HMO 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
66084	SIM PRO-SENS 1.41LB/22.5OZ PWD 4CT
66657	SIM PRO-SENS 2.13LB/34OZ PWD 6CT CLUB
68090	SIM PRO-SENS 20.1OZ PWD 4CT
67923	SIM PRO-SENS 2FL HMO 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
68107	SIM PRO-TC 20.1OZ PWD 4CT
67925	SIM PRO-TC 2FL HMO 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
66798	SIM PRO-TTL CMFRT 34OZ PWD 6CT CLUB
5753978	SIM SENS 12.0OZ PWD 6CT
68082	SIM SENS 20.1OZ PWD 6CT
67550	SIM SENS 34OZ PWD 2CT
5095976	SIM SENS SPIT UP ES 12.0OZ PWD 6CT
68086	SIM SPIT UP 20.1OZ PWD 6CT
67927	SIM SPIT UP NGMO 7OZ PWD 6CT GR
62599	SIM TOTAL COMFORT 12OZ PWD 6CT



3/22/2022

## Abbott - Similac, Alimentum, Elecare Powder Formula

Please fill out and email this distributor form within 10 business days, even if you do not have the recalled product.

Please complete and email to: [compliance@ndc-inc.com](mailto:compliance@ndc-inc.com)

### RECALL RESPONSE FORM

#### Customer Information

Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Account Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Inventory Information

Item number	Lot number	Expiration date	Quantity to return

☐ I have read and understood the information within the accompanying notification. All relevant customers/ personnel have been informed of its contents, any necessary actions taken and records retained as part of our documentation.

☐ We have inspected our inventory and have no product related to this recall

\_\_\_\_\_  
Completed by: (Print Name /Signature/Date)

**Returned Completed form to:**  
Email:

Michael Patton  
[compliance@ndc-inc.com](mailto:compliance@ndc-inc.com)

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