



Statement Regarding CDC Report of Multistate Outbreak of *E. coli* linked to Chopped Romaine Lettuce from the Yuma, Ariz. growing region.

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We have been closely monitoring the CDC reports of a multistate outbreak of *E. coli* O157:H7 linked to chopped romaine lettuce from the Yuma, Ariz. growing region. The report can be viewed [here](#).

Bonduelle Fresh Americas (BFA), home of the Ready Pac Foods brand, has not been contacted by any of our produce suppliers or by any regulatory agencies in relation to this report. At this point, we have no reason to believe any of our products are affected.

At BFA the safety and quality of our products is our number one priority. We test all of our leafy greens (including romaine) in the fields prior to harvest. All tests done prior to harvest and on finished product include screening for *E. coli* O157:H7. We have had no romaine lots nor any finished products sourced from the Yuma, Ariz. growing region test positive for *E. coli* O157:H7 since the beginning of the outbreak through today.

We will continue to monitor the situation very closely, following any and all direction given by governmental agencies involved.

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