



**Notice to the Public**  
**PRODUCT RECALL OF CERTAIN PILCHARD PRODUCTS (TINNED FISH) IN SOUTH  
AFRICA**

26 February 2020

The Eswatini Competition Commission ( hereinafter referred to as 'the Commission') hereby notifies the general public that the National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications (NRCS) in South Africa has ordered for a national recall of 400g Pilchards in Tomato Sauce and 400g Pilchards in Chilli Sauce (Tinned Fish) with immediate effect. This is following the outcome of an investigation by NRCS which revealed a deficiency in the canning process. It was found that some of the cans were compromised during the sauce filling step on the production line and therefore could affect the safety of consumers. The recalled products were manufactured in 2019 by West Point Processors based in Cape Town and include the following brands:

- Deep Catch
- Mammas
- OK Housebrand
- Prime Ocean
- Spar
- Sunny
- Shoprite Ritebrand
- Cape Point
- Checkers Housebrand
- U Brand
- Saldanha
- West Point



The above products bear the markings starting with ZST29 and ZSC29 on top of the can. In view of the foregoing and pursuant to Section 11(2)(e) of the Competition Act, 2007 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act'), the Commission would therefore like to inform the general public to exercise caution and avoid consumption of the affected pilchard products.

The Commission further advises businesses carrying the above named pilchard products to remove them from shelves as stock and to refund consumers fully for those that have been purchased. In order to ensure that Section 33 of the Act is not contravened, the Commission will conduct spot inspections to assess if the above named products are still in the market or not and take appropriate action thereafter.

The Commission welcomes any representations on the matter from all interested stakeholders and the general public. Should you require more information or clarification on the matter you may contact the Commission on +268 2404 0421/0111 or email to [info@compco.co.sz](mailto:info@compco.co.sz) .

**Dated at Mbabane on this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020**

**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

