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Grocer sues Redmond beef producer over E. coli outbreak

Associated Press

Lawyers representing New Seasons Market have filed a \$2.7 million lawsuit against a Redmond-based beef producer accusing the company of negligence for delivering beef tainted with E. coli in 2019, court records show.

Several people were sickened by the bacteria, prompting a wide recall.

The suit, filed this week in Multnomah County Circuit Court by the Portland-based company,

names Country Natural Beef, based in Redmond.

Lawyers for New Seasons and Oregon Country Beef didn't immediately return calls for comment from the newspaper.

On Nov. 8, 2019, officials from the Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Department of Agriculture told New Seasons three cases of E. coli had been connected to ground beef sold in Portland-area stores of the grocery chain.

The chain took samples from meat cases and

sent them to a state-run lab for analysis. Two came back positive for E. coli and both were determined to have come from Country Natural Beef, the lawsuit said.

New Seasons pulled ground beef from shelves in all of its stores and recalled ground beef products it had sold, according to the suit. The suspension of ground beef sales lasted three months, the lawsuit says.

Many customers returned products and re-

ceived refunds, and New Seasons disposed of the unsold beef products, according to the suit.

New Seasons seeks money to recover costs from paying refunds, cleaning, issuing and carrying out the recall and investigating the outbreak source. The chain also seeks damages for a loss of goodwill with customers, according to the suit.

The lawsuit said Country Natural Beef has examined its internal procedures and implemented a new beef testing policy.

URBAN RENEWAL ATTRACTS BUSINESSES



BY NICOLE BALES • The Bulletin
Despite the challenges of running a business during a pandemic, Tite Knot Craft Coffee in downtown Redmond is expanding after opening a mobile cart in January. Owner Lauri Dahl grew up in Redmond, but moved away with her husband in 1991, unsure about whether they would return. "Really, we had to move out of the area because there were just no

options," Dahl said. "It really, I felt, looked pretty bleak." Now, they are part of downtown Redmond's urban renewal success story. The couple returned to Redmond in 2015 after 25 years. Dahl is planning to utilize programs through the city's downtown urban renewal district to build a brick and mortar store. She said the overall sentiment of the city has been, "We want to help you succeed."

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PHOTOS FROM TOP: Holly Filley, owner of Halo Donuts & Deli, wipes down a countertop while working at her store in downtown Redmond. | Lauri Dahl, owner of Tite Knot Craft Coffee, cleans up the front of her coffee truck; the Tite Knot is located at 706 SW 10th St. | The exterior of the High Desert Music Hall, located at 818 SW Forest Ave. in Redmond.

Spokesman Calendar

Events in and around Redmond

The Redmond Spokesman welcomes event information for its community calendar. Submissions are limited to nonprofit, free and live entertainment events. Deadline is 5 p.m. Thursday for the following Wednesday's paper. Items are published on a space-available basis and may be edited. Contact us at news@redmondspokesman.com or fax 541-548-3203.

WEDNESDAY 10/27

Columbia River Reining Horse Association Spooky Spectacular Show: The multi day event will offer Halloween family activities and festivities, derbies and maturities; 7 a.m.-5 p.m.; Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center, 3800 SW Airport Way, Redmond; expo.deschutes.org or 541-548-2711.

Understanding the Alzheimer's and Dementia: Learn about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, stages and risk factors and current research and treatments available for some symptoms; 9:30-11 a.m.; free; Virtual, Alzheimer's Association, Bend; communityresourcefinder.org

Living Well with Chronic Conditions: The Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson County health departments are offering this six week, online class to support people living with chronic health conditions;

10 a.m.-Noon; \$10 for the series; Your Health Central Oregon, online; yourhealthcentraloregon.org

Schilling's Pumpkin Patch — The Patch With a View: The nursery will feature a pumpkin patch with the view of the Cascades, a farm stand, hay maze, animals, mums and asters and more; 10 a.m.; free; Schilling's Garden Market, 64640 Old Bend Redmond Highway, Bend; schillingsgardenmarket.com or 541-323-1060.

Redmond School Board Meeting: A regular meeting will be held; 5:30 p.m.; Redmond District Office, 145 SE Salmon Drive, Redmond or 541-923-5437.

The Library Book Club at Sisters: The book club will discuss "The Secret Lives of Church Ladies" by Deeshaun Philyaw; 5:30-6:30 p.m.; free; Sisters Public Library, online; deschuteslibrary.org or 541-617-7078.

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