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Dear Costco Member:

Costco's records indicate that you purchased ZonePerfect Chocolate Peanut Butter bars between July 1, 2008 and January 19, 2009. Abbott Nutrition is voluntarily recalling these peanut butter flavored bars because they contain peanut butter that was manufactured /supplied by Peanut Corporation of America. Peanut Corporation of America has recalled its peanut butter ingredients because they have the potential to be contaminated with salmonella. Abbott Nutrition tests every lot of finished ZonePerfect bars for salmonella and no salmonella contamination has been detected.

No other Abbott Nutrition products at Costco are affected by this recall.

While Costco has removed affected product off its shelves, we are sending you this letter to request that if you have any of this product, please return it to the store where it was purchased for a full refund. You can find specific product details and other information at [www.zoneperfect.com](http://www.zoneperfect.com)

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. For more information on *Salmonella*, please visit the Centers for disease Control and Prevention's Website at <http://www.cdc.gov/>.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience this action has caused. The food industry upholds certain operating standards, and we are proud that we exceed these standards in our facilities. We are taking aggressive steps to ensure that ZonePerfect Peanut Butter bars will have the quality and taste you've come to expect when they are reintroduced in February.

Consumers with additional questions may contact Abbott Nutrition Consumer Relations at 1-800-986-8884. If you have questions or concerns about your health, please contact your doctor.

Sincerely,

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Vice President and General Manager  
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