Updated Massachusetts Oyster Recall Notice August 2, 2024

Two MA Certified dealers, Chatham Shellfish Co. (MA 3121 SS, AQ) and Island Creek Oysters (MA 185438 SP), have completed voluntary recalls of oysters that were linked to four campylobacter illnesses. The MA Department of Public Health (MDPH) was notified of the illnesses on 7/18/24. The oysters were harvested from two lease sites within harvest area MA SC28, Lewis Bay, on 7/1/24 and 7/3/24. On 7/19/24 the MA Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) closed the harvest area and is currently conducting a growing area investigation. All oysters harvested from the two lease sites in SC28 between 7/1/24 and 7/18/24 have been recalled.

Recalled oysters were distributed to retail establishments in CA, CT, FL, MN, MO, NH, NJ, NY, IL. The MA shippers have contacted each out-of-state retail establishment that received recalled oysters. No out-of-state dealers received recalled oysters. No other species of shellfish, harvest areas, or lease sites were implicated. All recalled oysters were consumed or destroyed. MDPH is alerting the shellfish authorities in each state that received recalled oysters.

Please contact Eric Hickey, at the MDPH Food Protection Program, <u>eric.hickey@mass.gov</u> or 617-429-2722, if you have any questions or require further information.