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To: Land O' Lakes, Inc.  
From: Mark Brinkmann

**Subject: Pet Food Recall Update**

The products being recalled today contained rice protein concentrate, an ingredient requested by Diamond's private label customer, exclusive to the two formulations that were recalled. Rice protein concentrate was purchased by Diamond from an American company that chose to source it from China. The rice protein concentrate is highly suspected for the contamination of melamine, which is responsible for the recall.

Neither rice protein concentrate nor wheat gluten has ever been included in any product provided to Land O' Lakes by the Diamond Pet Food Company.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Brinkmann", with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Mark Brinkmann**  
Vice President of Operations  
The Diamond Pet Food Company