

Natural Value

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Their Statement to us 2008:

You have written in inquiring about BPA or Bisphenol A in cans.

All cans produced have a plastic coating to keep the metal from the can from coming in contact with the food. This lining does contain Bisphenol A.

I am not saying that all Natural Value cans have Bisphenol A - but all cans produced commercially.

Now, some companies are responding to these inquires with a statement that says that do not add Bisphenol A to their cans. Technically, this is true. they themselves don't add Bisphenol A - it is added by the can manufacturers.

I have been in contact with a number of different can manufacturers, and they are searching for an alternative. They understand the issues involved. Some of my friends in Canada are looking for beans, tomatoes, etc packed in glass, as they don't want cans with Bisphenol A in them.

We don't want it in our cans either, and will contribute whatever we can to convince the can manufacturers to make a change.

I hope this answers your question.

Gary Cohen
NV

2008.11.05 Update:

We are testing some non BPA can linings for our bean products.

The can manufacturers continue to maintain that their cans are safe but they are open to hearing - with some reluctance - that consumers are questioning the safety of BPA in cans.

I don't have anything definite to report that says "we are making a total switch." The biggest issue for the manufacturers is non BPA lined cans are more expensive and have a much shorter

shelf life. I told them that both of those issues are ok with me...so we are going to see where things go.

Seriously - if one of the big chains like Safeway or Target got behind this, it would mean that change would come a lot quicker.

I hope this helps

Gary Cohen
NV

2009.12.01 Update:

In addition to the can linings with BPA, some of the manufacturers tell us that some of the filling equipment has BPA in it...so it isn't just the cans.

We get at least a couple of emails a day on BPA...as we have news, we will post it on our website...

I hope this helps...please feel free to stay in touch

Gary Cohen
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