## Tiger Brands opposing listeriosis class action bids

The listeriosis outbreak has hit SA hard with 191 deaths confirmed so far as a direct result of the disease. In light of the outbreak and number of deaths, Richard Spoor Attorneys and LHL Attorneys have both filed class action suits against Tiger Brands. The company has said it will oppose the fact that two separate applications have been filed against them simultaneously, says a **Daily Maverick** report. It points out **Tiger Brands felt it necessary to note that they are not opposed to the class action lawsuit, but rather 'before it can be launched and pursued, a class action must be certified as such by the court.** The certification process requires the filing of an appropriate certification application'. The company says that the two separate and competing applications for certification of the same class action have been filed in this matter. At this stage, Tiger Brands is opposing the applications, because, procedurally, the same class action cannot be certified in more than one application.