



ADDITIONAL REPORTS OF FIRES AND LOW CONSUMER RESPONSE RATE PROMPT REANNOUNCEMENT OF GOLDSTAR AND COMFORT-AIRE DEHUMIDIFIER RECALL

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today reannounced a voluntary recall of the following consumer products. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of Product: Portable Dehumidifiers

Units: About 98,000 (previously recalled in December 2009)

Manufacturer: LG Electronics Tianjin Appliance Co., of China

Hazard: The power connector for the dehumidifier's compressor can short circuit, posing fire and burn hazards to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: LG has received four additional reports of fires involving the recalled dehumidifiers, including one that resulted in significant damage to a home. No injuries have been reported.

Description: This recall involves 30-pint portable dehumidifiers sold under the brand names in the chart below. The dehumidifiers are white with a red shut-off button, controls for fan speed and humidity control and a front-loading water bucket. "Goldstar" or "Comfort-Aire" is printed on the front. The model and serial numbers are printed on the interior of the dehumidifiers and can be viewed after the water bucket is removed.

Brand: Goldstar | Model No. GHD30Y7 | Sold at: Home Depot

Serial Number Range: 611TAxx00001~08400, 611TAxx08401~40600, 612TAxx00001~20400, 612TAxx21001~30600

Brand: Goldstar | Model No. DH305Y7 | Sold at: Walmart

Serial Number Range: 612TAxx00001~00600, 701TAxx00001~16800, 702TAxx00001~03000

Brand: Comfort-Aire | Model No. BHD-301-C | Sold at: Heat Controller Inc.

Serial Number Range: 611TA000001~001697, 612TA000001~004200, 701TA000001~000578, 710TA000001~000599

Sold at: The Home Depot, Walmart and Heat Controller Inc. nationwide from January 2007 through June 2008 for between \$140 and \$150.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled dehumidifier, contact LG to determine if it is included in the recall and return it to an authorized LG service center for a free repair.

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including pictures of the recalled products, please go to:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml10/10316.html>



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