



PORTABLE ELECTRIC HEATERS RECALLED BY ALOHA HOUSEWARES DUE TO FIRE HAZARD

Release #08-198

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

Name of Product: Portable Electric Heaters

Units: About 152,000

Importer/Distributor: Aloha Housewares Inc., of Arlington, Texas

Hazard: The portable electric heater can overheat and melt plastic parts, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Aloha Housewares has received 29 reports of the heaters melting, smoking or catching fire, including 18 reports of property damage. One consumer reported minor burns to the hands and feet.

Description: This recall involves electric oscillating tower heaters with the name "Aloha Breeze" printed on the top. The white heaters have model number 02044 and dates codes 06/06, 06/07, 06/08 or 06/09. Model numbers and date codes are printed on the silver label located on the back of the heater, near the bottom.

Sold at: Wal-mart and small retail chain stores nationwide from August 2006 through November 2007 for between \$35 and \$45.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled heaters and contact Aloha Housewares to receive a replacement product.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Aloha Housewares at (800) 295-4448 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or email the firm at ahitexaslg@aol.com

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including a picture of the recalled product, please go to: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml08/08198.html>



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