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CPSC, Lakewood Announce Recall of Oil-Filled Electric Heaters

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

Name of product: Model 5101 oil-filled electric radiator heaters

Units: 70,000

Manufacturer: Lakewood Engineering & Mfg. Co., of Chicago, Ill.

Hazard: Welds can rupture, expelling hot oil that can burn nearby consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Lakewood is aware of 28 reports of incidents, including one burn injury from spewing oil. An additional 14 heaters with ruptured welds have been returned to Lakewood.

Description: The recalled heaters are portable electric radiator-style heaters with six fins, one of which has the control panel attached to it. The units are grayish-white in color and have the name "Lakewood" printed below the handle indentation on the control panel. The model number "5101" is printed on the UL label on the lower right side of the control panel.

Sold at: Retailers nationwide, including Wal-Mart and Ace Hardware, from August 2004 through November 13, 2004 for between \$34 and \$40.

Manufactured in: United States.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using these heaters, unplug them and contact Lakewood to determine if their heater is part of the recall. Lakewood will provide a free replacement heater to each consumer who has a recalled heater.

Consumer Contact: Call Lakewood toll-free at (888) 858-3506 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday or visit the company's Web site at www.lakewoodeng.com



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To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web site at www.cpsc.gov/talk.html. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpscmail.asp. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.