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News

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Dear Wisconsin Children's Safety Advocates:

In March 2008, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission issued a total of **eighteen (18) recalls relating to products affecting children**. Attached is a summary of the releases identifying the product, problem and what should be done with the recalled product.

We have found that not all of the recalls are picked up by the news media as they occur. This monthly summary will give you the opportunity to review all of the children's product safety recalls for the past month.

If you are interested in a complete text of the recall, double click on the hyperlink at the end of the recall description. This will take you to the CPSC website and the actual recall notice. If you have other product safety questions you may call our toll free number at **(800) 422-7128**.

Following is a listing of the 18 "KIDS" recalls by title and identification number (when available):

- ❖ Girls' Hooded Sweatshirts with Drawstrings Recalled by Rebelette International Due to Strangulation Hazard. #08-207
- ❖ Infantino Recalls Infant Rattles Due to Choking Hazard. #08-208
- ❖ Ellaroo Recalls Infant Sling Carriers Due to Fall Hazard. #08-215
- ❖ Children's Hooded Sweatshirts Recalled by Urgent Gear Due to Strangulation Hazard; Sold Exclusively at Nordstrom Stores. #08-217
- ❖ Toy Airplanes, Cars, and Motorcycles Recalled by S.U. Wholesale Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard. #08-219
- ❖ Toy Sundae Sets Sold at Target Recalled by Battat Inc. Due to Choking Hazard. #08-220
- ❖ Battat Recalls Additional Magnetic Construction Sets, Ingested Magnets Pose Aspiration and Intestinal Hazards. #08-221
- ❖ MEGA Brands Recalls MagnaMan Magnetic Action Figures, Ingested Magnets Pose Aspiration and Intestinal Hazards. #08-222
- ❖ MEGA Brands Recalls Magtastik and Magnetix Jr. Pre-School Magnetic Toys; Ingested Magnets Pose Aspiration and Intestinal Hazards. #08-223
- ❖ Galison/Mudpuppy Recalls Wire Bound Journals and Calendars Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard. #08-226

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- ❖ Toy Puzzle Vehicle Sets Recalled Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard; Sold Exclusively by QVC. #08-551
- ❖ Hobby Lobby Stores Recalls Easter Egg Containers and Spinning Egg Tops Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard. #08-229
- ❖ Plan Toys Inc. Recalls Toy Penguins Due to Laceration Hazard. #08-230
- ❖ Downeast Concepts Inc. Recalls Water bottles Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard. #08-231
- ❖ Educational Insights Recalls Ring Toss Games Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard. #08-553
- ❖ Avon Products Recalls Plus Warming Polar Bears Due to Fire and Burn Hazards. #08-554
- ❖ Plush Rocker Toys Recalled by Tek Nek Toys Due to Fall Hazard. #08-233
- ❖ Boys' Hooded Sweatshirts with Drawstrings Recalled by High Energy; children Can Strangle on Drawstrings. #08-234

KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE

Release Number (08-207): Rebelette International Trading Corp., of South El Monte, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 4,800 Girls' Hooded Sweatshirts. The recalled hooded sweatshirts have a drawstring at the neck. They zip up the front, and are either blue with pink stripes on the sleeves with "Red Hot Chili Steppers" printed on the front, or brown with blue stripes on the sleeves with "Powder Puffs Touch League" on the front. The sweatshirts were sold in children's sizes small, medium, large, and sizes 4, 5, 6, and 6X. "REBELETTE of Los Angeles" is printed on the collar label. The sweatshirts were sold at Marshalls Stores and specialty children's clothing retailers nationwide from July 2007 through September 2007 for about \$15. The sweatshirts were manufactured in China.

Problem: The sweatshirt jackets have a drawstring through the hood which poses a strangulation hazard to children. In February 1996, CPSC issued [guidelines](#) (pdf) to help prevent children from strangling or getting entangled on the neck and waist by drawstrings in upper garments, such as jackets and sweatshirts.

What to do: Consumers should immediately remove the drawstring from the hood to eliminate the hazard, or return the sweatshirt to either the place of purchase or to Rebelette International for a full refund. For additional information, contact Rebelette International collect at (626) 448-9988 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml08/08207.html>

Release Number (08-208): Infantino LLC, of San Diego, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 20,000 Infantino Lamb Grabby Rattles™. The recalled Infantino Lamb Grabby Rattles™ are shaped like a lamb with an Infantino elliptical-shaped logo stamped on the front right foot of the lamb. Only rattles with date code 0907 printed on the back of the left ear of the lamb are included in the recall. The production batch code is printed in a dial format with the year in the middle of a circle and an arrow pointing to the number on the circle that indicates the month. Rattles that do not have a date code are not included in the recall. The items were sold at Wal-Mart, Babies "R" Us and other specialty stores nationwide from September 2007 through February 2008 for between \$3 and \$4. The items were manufactured in China.

Problem: The tail-piece on the rattles can detach, posing a choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled toys away from young children and contact Infantino for a replacement rattle or a product of equal value. For additional information, contact Infantino toll-free at (888) 808-3111 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. PT Monday through Friday or visit the firm's Web site at service.infantino.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml08/08208.html>

Release Number (08-215): Ellaroo LLC, of McKinney, Texas, is voluntarily recalling about 1,200 Ellaroo Ring Sling Baby Carriers. This recall includes Ellaroo Ring Sling baby carriers with item numbers 2101 and 2102 printed on the outside of the product box. The Ellaroo Ring Sling has a fabric carrier with two aluminum rings that is worn by the user to carry an infant

up to 35 pounds. The carriers are sold in mahogany, mango stone, brasilia and malay color prints. Only sling carriers with lot numbers 03/07 and 07/04 printed on a label, under the size label, inside the Ring Sling are included in the recall. The carriers were sold at juvenile product and department stores nationwide and online, including BabiesRUs.com, from June 2007 through February 2008 for about \$100 and manufactured in India.

Problem: The aluminum rings on the sling carriers can bend or break. This can cause the fabric to slip through the rings and infants to fall out of the carrier.

What to do: Consumers should immediately stop using the sling carriers and contact Ellaroo for instructions on returning the carriers for a repair or replacement Ring Sling. For additional information, contact Ellaroo at (800) 483-4902 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m CT Monday through Friday or visit the firm's Web site at www.ellaroo.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08215.html>

Release Number (08-217): Urgent Gear Inc., of Los Angeles, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 700 Micros Boys' Hooded Jackets. This recall involves Micros boys' 100% cotton jackets. The hooded sweatshirts have a drawstring through the hood. They were sold in black with a peace sign patch and a "MCC Micros" patch on the chest, silver with a silver stitched design on the front, and gray with skulls on the front. Style numbers BZAT 718 (Black) / BZAT 722 (Silver) / BZAT 724 (Dark Gray) are printed on a label sewn into the jacket's inner side seam. The jackets were sold exclusively at Nordstrom stores nationwide from November

2007 through December 2007 for about \$50 and manufactured in China.

Problem: The garments have a drawstring through the hood, which can pose a strangulation hazard to children. In February 1996, CPSC issued [guidelines](#) (pdf) to help prevent children from strangling or getting entangled on the neck and waist by drawstrings in upper garments, such as jackets and sweatshirts.

What to do: Consumers should immediately remove the drawstrings to eliminate the hazard or return the sweatshirts to Nordstrom or to Urgent Gear for a full refund. For additional information, contact Urgent Gear collect at (213) 741-9926 ext. 247 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.urgentgear.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08217.html>

Release Number (08-219): S.U. Wholesale Inc., of Vernon, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 5,000 X Force Commander Toy Airplanes and Super Famous Toy Cars and Motorcycles. The "X Force Commander" is a set of six plastic jet airplanes. Item number 5689 is printed on the front of the packaging. The airplanes are painted green, red, blue, silver, black and yellow. The "Super Famous" is a set of a plastic toy car and a motorcycle. The car is yellow or red and the motorcycle is gray. The toys were sold at Dollar Stores nationwide from September 2006 through November 2007 for about \$1 and manufactured in China.

Problem: The recalled toys contain excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take these toys away from children and return to them to the store where purchased for a refund.

For additional information, contact S.U. Wholesale toll-free at (877) 580-8883 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08219.html>

Release Number (08-220): Battat Inc., of Plattsburgh, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 22,000 Play Wonder Toy Sundae Sets. The recalled wooden sundae set toy includes six wooden scoops of ice cream, three cherries that attach to the top of the ice cream scoops, banana slices, a spoon and bowl. The ice cream scoops are green, pink, brown, yellow and purple. The sundae set pieces attach to each other with Velcro. Model number DPCI-204-12-0526 is included in this recall and is located on the packaging. The toys were sold exclusively at Target Stores nationwide from December 2006 through December 2007 for about \$10 and manufactured in China.

Problem: The wooden cherries on top of the toy sundae pose a choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled toy sundae sets away from children and return the toys to any Target store for a full refund. For additional information, contact Battat Inc. at (800) 247-6144 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET or visit the firm's Web site at www.battatco.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08220.html>

Release Number (08-221): Battat Inc., of Plattsburgh, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 7,000 Battat Magnabild Magnetic Building Toys

or Sets. This recall involves the 108-piece (item number BB1439H) and the 68-piece (item number BAT-34) Magnabild Magnetic Building System sets. The 108-piece set comes in a rotating display case containing sixty 1-inch rods with magnets and 48 metal balls. The 68-piece set comes in a window box and contains forty-four 1-inch rods with magnets and 24 metal balls. The rods come in different colors. All of the plastic building pieces have the word "Magnabild" in raised lettering on them. "BB1439H" is found on a hang tag attached to the display case. "BAT-34" is found on the box. The products are designed for children older than three years. The toys were sold at various retailers nationwide and online sellers from July 2005 through February 2008 for between \$20 and \$35 and manufactured in China. On January 23, 2008, about 125,000 other Battat Magnabild Building Systems were [recalled](#).

Problem: Small magnets inside the building pieces can fall out. Magnets found by young children can be swallowed or aspirated. If more than one magnet is swallowed, the magnets can attract each other and cause intestinal perforations or blockages, which can be fatal.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled Magnabild Magnetic Building System away from children and contact Battat to receive a pre-paid mailer to return the toy and to receive a free replacement product. For additional information, contact Battat Inc. at (800) 247-6144 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET or visit the firm's Web site at www.battatco.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08221.html>

Release Number (08-222): MEGA Brands America Inc., of Livingston, N.J., is voluntarily recalling about 1.3 million MagnaMan Magnetic Toy Figures. The recalled MagnaMan magnetic toys are figures that have body parts that attach with magnets. They come in either a "Futuristic

Warrior” or “Ancient Warrior” theme. Each figure comes with three accessories.

Name	Color	Model #
Alien	Green	28170
Robotor	Red	28171
Flame	Orange	28172
Gigantor	Blue	28173
Toyoto the Samurai	Purple	28164
Sir Lancelot the Knight	Gray	28165
Eric the Viking	Blue	28166
Brutus the Gladiator	Yellow	28167
Robot Assortment		28198
Vac Metal		28327
4-Pack		28175
3-Pack		28393
2-Pack		28392
Vac Metal Assortment		28327
Assortment		28254 or 28199



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prereel/prhtml/08/08222.html>

Release Number (08-223): MEGA Brands America Inc., of Livingston, N.J., is voluntarily recalling about 1.1 million Magtastik and Magnetix Jr. Pre-school Magnetic Toys. The Magtastik and Magnetix Jr. Pre-school Magnetic Toys include small flexible parts embedded with magnets that allow the parts to connect to large, colored metal balls.

Name of Product	Model #
Magtastik Starter Set	427
Magtastik Deluxe Set	428
Primary	429
Primary Starter	431
Car	434
Helicopter	435
Fun Pack	448
Jumbo 24 Piece Bag	456
Round Bag	461
12 Piece Mag Bag	462
Target Bucket	466
40 Piece Tub	468
Deluxe New Starter Set	467
Wonder Coaster	465
Starter Set – New Parts	496
Magnimals – Monkey	424
Magnimals – Dog	425
Magnimals – Dinosaur	426
Magnimals Assortment	423

The model number is printed on the front of the product’s packaging. The toys were sold at Wal-Mart, Target, Toys R Us, K-Mart and other toy stores nationwide from January 2005 through December 2007 for about \$10 and manufactured in China.

Problem: Small magnets inside the figures can detach. Magnets found by young children can be swallowed or aspirated. If more than one magnet is swallowed, the magnets can attract each other and cause intestinal perforations or blockages, which can be fatal.

What to do: Consumers should stop using the recalled toys immediately and return them to MEGA Brands for a free replacement toy. For additional information, contact MEGA Brands at (800) 779-7122 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s Web site at www.megabrand.com.

Mag Mobile Assortment	433
Magnimals Pet Set	436
Magnimals Bonus Pack	446
Easter Pack	469

The model number is printed on the front of the product's packaging. The toys were sold at Wal-Mart, Target, Toys R Us, K-Mart and other toy stores nationwide from January 2005 through December 2007 for between \$10 and \$40 and manufactured in China.

Problem: Magnets in the small flexible parts of the animals, vehicles and building sets can detach. Magnets found by young children can be swallowed or aspirated. If more than one magnet is swallowed, the magnets can attract each other and cause intestinal perforations or blockages, which can be fatal.

What to do: Consumers should stop using the recalled toys immediately and return them to MEGA Brands for a free replacement toy. For additional information, contact MEGA Brands at (800) 779-7122 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.megabrands.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08223.html>

Release Number (08-226): Galison/Mudpuppy, of New York, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 90,000 Wire-O Bound Journals and Calendars. The recalled journals are spiral bound journals, activity books, and calendars sold in a variety of styles, sizes and colors. Galison or Mudpuppy and the ISBN numbers are printed on the back cover of the calendars/journals.

Calendars/journals included in the recall are listed below:

ISBN Number	Style Name
<u>Galison List Journals</u>	
978-0-7353-1952-3	Next Great Idea (Black) List Journal
978-0-7353-2050-5	Hiroshige Waves List Journal
978-0-7353-2051-2	Nature's Cabinet Butterflies List

Journal

978-0-7353-1934-9 Chinese Peony List Journal

978-0-7353-1949-3 Toffee Dots List Journal

978-0-7353-1951-6 Toffee Stripes List Journal

978-0-7353-1933-2 William Morris Clover List Journal

978-0-7353-1950-9 Porch Florals List Journal

Galison Prose Journals

978-0-7353-1925-7 Next Great Idea (Black) Prose Journal

978-0-7353-2052-9 Hiroshige Waves Prose Journal

978-0-7353-2053-6 Nature's Cabinet Butterflies Prose Journal

978-0-7353-1926-4 Chinese Peony Prose Journal

978-0-7353-1930-1 Toffee Dots Prose Journal

978-0-7353-1932-5 Toffee Stripes Prose Journal

978-0-7353-1929-5 William Morris Clover Prose Journal

978-0-7353-1931-8 Porch Florals Prose Journal

Galison Perpetual Calendar

978-0-7353-0793-3 Chocolate Dots Perpetual Calendar

Mudpuppy Specialty Journals

978-0-7353-2061-1 Are We There Yet? Journal

978-0-7353-2171-7 Get Crafty Journal

978-0-7353-1506-8 Happy Camper Journal

978-0-7353-0604-2 Road Trip Journal

978-0-7353-0670-7 Things to Do in the Meantime Journal

978-0-7353-0619-6 Camp Fun Journal

978-0-7353-0882-4 My Travel Journal

The items were sold at specialty and gift stores nationwide and on-line from August 2003 through December 2007 for between \$7 and \$10 and manufactured in China.

Problem: The paint on the metal spiral bindings of the journals contains excessive levels of lead, which violated the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: Consumers should remove the back cover of the calendars/journals with the ISBN barcode number and contact Galison for instructions on returning the back cover for a refund. The journals/calendars should be

discarded. For additional information, contact Galison/Mudpuppy at (800) 670-7441 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.galison.com or e-mail the firm at safety@galison.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08226.html>

Release Number (08-551): Merchant Media Corp., of Framingham, Mass., is voluntarily recalling about 198,000 Toy Puzzle Vehicle Sets. The recall includes the 16 piece Puzzle Track Play sets also known as Battery Operated Puzzle Vehicle sets. QVC item number T16876 is printed on the exterior of the brown box packaging. The sets have plastic puzzle pieces that when put together form a track with a battery operated train, fire engine or school bus vehicle designed to run on the track. Miniature street signs, traffic cones, and a battery for the vehicle are also included in the sets. The toys were sold by QVC televised shopping programs, Web page, toll-free number, and Studio store from September 2002 through December 2007 for about \$20 and manufactured in China.

Problem: Surface paints on the puzzle pieces and components contain excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled toy puzzle sets away from children and return to QVC for a full refund including shipping and handling. Consumers who purchased the recalled set from QVC's television program or at QVC.com were sent a package by mail containing return information. Consumers who purchased the recalled set at the QVC Studio store should return the product to the store where purchased for a full refund. For additional information, contact QVC at (800) 367-9444 between 7 a.m. and 1 a.m. ET or visit the firm's Web site at www.qvc.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08551.html>

Release Number (08-229): Hobby Lobby Stores Inc., of Oklahoma City, Okla., is voluntarily recalling about 13,000 Camouflage Eggs and Spinning Egg Top Toys. The Camouflage Easter Egg Treat Containers have Item #1031 printed on the front of the packaging and are white, brown and green camouflage colors, sold in a package of eight eggs. "Made in China for Tony Development and Mfg Ltd; TST, Kin, HK" and UPC code number 43078 01031 are printed on the back of the packing. The Easter Spinning Egg Tops have Item # 1054 printed on the front of the packaging and are multi-colored and come in packages of a single egg and a rip cord. "Made in China for Tony Development and Mfg Ltd. TST, Kin, HK" and UPC code number 43078 01054 are printed on the back of the packaging. The items were sold at Hobby Lobby Stores nationwide from January 2008 through March 2008. The camouflage egg sold for about \$2.50 and the Spinning Top sold for about \$2. Both were manufactured in China.

Problem: The paint on the toys contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled Camouflage Eggs and the Spinning Egg Tops away from children and contact Hobby Lobby to receive a \$3 exchange card that can be used toward the purchase of any other products sold at Hobby Lobby stores. For additional information, contact Hobby Lobby toll-free at (800) 326-7931 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or visit the firm's Web site at www.HobbyLobby.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08229.html>

Release Number (08-230): Plan Toy Inc., of Mountain View, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 3,000 Toy Penguin Figures. The wood penguin-shaped toy has a black head with rubber fins, a yellow nose and a white body with red on the base. The toy is round-shaped and creates a soft bell jingle when spun. The toy

measures about 3 ¾ inches in height and about 3 inches in diameter. “PLAN TOYS” and UPC number 084543521109 or EAN number 8854740052117 are printed on the outside of the packaging of the toy. The toy was sold at specialty toy stores nationwide and on-line from May 2007 through February 2008 for between \$15 and \$20 and manufactured in Thailand.

Problem: The head of the penguin toy can detach, exposing connectors with sharp points, presenting a laceration hazard to consumers.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the penguin toys away from children and return them to the store where purchased to receive a refund. Consumers also can contact Plan Toys to receive instructions on returning the penguin toys via mail for a refund. For additional information, contact Plan Toys toll-free at (866) 517-7526 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s Web site at www.plantoy.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08230.html>

Release Number (08-231): Downeast Concepts Inc., of Yarmouth, Maine, is voluntarily recalling about 18,000 Backyard and Beyond Metal Water Bottles. Backyard and Beyond brand water bottles with model numbers 67402, 67404, 67442, 67444, 67742, 60442, 67744, 67746, 67748 and 60448 printed on the hang tag. The metal water bottles have a black plastic sip-top and were sold in green, pink or blue with assorted animal or insect graphics on the exterior. The bottles were sold at major retailers, gift shops, convenience stores, mass merchandise and drug stores nationwide from February 2006 through February 2008 for about \$8 and manufactured in China.

Problem: Surface paint on the metal water bottles contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the recalled water bottles away from

children and return it to the store where purchased for a refund. For additional information, contact Downeast Concepts at (800) 343-2424 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s Web site at www.backyard-beyond.com or e-mail the firm at productsafety@downeastconcepts.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08231.html>

Release Number (08-553): Educational Insights, of Vernon Hills, Ill., is voluntarily recalling about 130 Ring Toss Games. The recalled ring toss game has three plastic blue rings and five 4-inch wooden pegs. Four of the five pegs are purple and one is yellow. The base of the game is made of two red wooden boards that form an “X” when assembled. The toys were sold to school supply stores nationwide from December 2007 through February 2008 for about \$30 and manufactured in Hong Kong.

Problem: The paint on the yellow peg of the toy contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

What to do: All purchasers have been contacted and requested to return the games for a store credit or refund. For additional information, contact Educational Insights toll-free at (888) 591-9334 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s Web site at www.educationalinsights.com, or e-mail the firm at service@edin.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08553.html>

Release Number (08-554): Avon Products Inc., of New York, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling

about 113,000 Cozy Warming Polar Bears. The recalled white plush warming bear has a red hat and brown nose. It is about 17 inches long and comes with a buckwheat-filled pouch that is heated in a microwave oven and is inserted into an opening in the bear's belly. "Avon Products" is printed on a white tag sewn onto the bear. The items were sold exclusively by Avon independent sales representatives and at www.avon.com from July 2007 through February 2008 for about \$13 when sold alone, or as part of a gift set that sold for about \$100. It was manufactured by Haiyan Boai Gifts Factory, and Yangzhou Honesty Arts & Crafts Co. Ltd., of China.

Problem: The warming pouch inside the bear can overheat and ignite when heated in a microwave oven, posing a fire and burn hazard to consumers.

What to do: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled warming bear and return the buckwheat-filled pouch for a full refund. Avon is directly contacting consumers who purchased the warming bear. For additional information, contact Avon toll-free at (877) 217-0916 between 6 a.m. and midnight ET Monday through Saturday, and on Sunday between 12 p.m. and midnight ET, or visit the firm's Web site at www.avon.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml/08/08554.html>

Release Number (08-233): Tek Nek Toys Int'l L.P., of Southlake, Texas, is voluntarily recalling about 122,000 Rock 'N Ride Plush Rocker Toys. This recall involves Rock 'N Ride plush rocker toys sold in eight models: brown pony, pink pony, pink unicorn, deluxe pony, deluxe bull, lil' penguin, lil' propeller plane and Clifford big red rocker. The toys have molded plastic rocker bases and were sold for children at least 18 months old and up to 65 lbs. A button on the toy's ear, hat or dash activates songs and phrases when pressed. Rockers included in this

recall have a date code from July 26, 2007 through December 29, 2007. The date codes are printed on a sticker inside the battery compartment. The rockers were sold at Wal-Mart, Toys "R" Us, Kmart, Target, Atwoods, and Pamida stores nationwide and Internet retailers from September 2007 through March 2008 for about \$30 and manufactured in China.

Problem: The base of the rocker can become unstable and allow the rocker to tip forward or backward, posing a fall hazard to children.

What to do: Consumers should immediately take the rocker toys away from young children and contact Tek Nek Toys for a free replacement base. For additional information, contact Tek Nek Toys toll-free at (888) 686-2728 anytime, or visit the firm's Web site at www.teknekt toys.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml/08/08233.html>

Release Number (08-234): Kidz World Inc., d/b/a High Energy USA, of New York, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 5,000 Boys' Hooded Sweatshirts. The recalled boys' sweatshirts are hooded and have a zipper up the front. They were sold in boys' sizes small and medium. The style number, and "High Energy" or "Energy Clothing Company," are printed on the sewn-in neck tag. The following styles are included in this recall.

Style Number	Color
T78311	Tan and brown plaid
S78511 S78514 S78515	White/black, blue/gray, red/navy and other assorted colors

S78516	
S72509 S74509	Navy blue and other assorted colors

The sweatshirts were sold at A.J. Wright, Bealls Outlet, A&E Stores, and Happy Days Stores nationwide from October 2007 through November 2007 for about \$15. The sweatshirts were manufactured in Pakistan, Egypt, and Korea.

Problem: The sweatshirts have a drawstring through hood which poses a strangulation hazard to children. In February 1996, CPSC issued [guidelines](#) (pdf) to help prevent children from strangling or getting entangled on the neck and waist by drawstrings in upper garments, such as jackets and sweatshirts.

What to do: Consumers should immediately remove the drawstring from the sweatshirts to eliminate the hazard, or contact High Energy for a full refund. For additional information, contact High Energy collect at (212) 563-4949 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml08/08234.html>

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