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Black & Decker® Brand Toasters Recalled By Applica Consumer Products Inc. Due to Fire Hazard

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 and unplug the unit immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Black & Decker® brand Infrawave™ Toasters

Units: About 70,000

Distributor: Applica Consumer Products Inc., of Miramar, Fla.

Hazard: An electrical component in the toaster can overheat and ignite the circuit board, posing a fire hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: Applica has received two reports of the toasters igniting, including one report of fire that damaged a kitchen countertop and cabinets. There have been no reported injuries.

Description and Model: The recalled two-slice toaster is black with stainless steel trim and has a digital display below the toaster lever. The Black & Decker® brand name is on the top of the toaster. Model number ST2000 is printed on the rating plate on the bottom of the toaster.

Manufactured in: China

Sold at: Home improvement and discount department retailers nationwide from March 2007 through November 2007 for about \$50.

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled toaster, unplug it immediately, and contact Applica to receive a refund.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Applica at (800) 556-9439 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or log on to the firm's Web site at http://www.acprecall.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/cpsclist.aspx. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.