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Toy Boats Recalled Due to Burn 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 immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of product: Battery Operated Toy "Speed Boats"

Units: About 200,000

Importer: Dollar General Merchandising Inc., of Goodlettsville, Tenn.

Hazard: The two battery terminals can come into contact with each other, causing the battery to

overheat, posing a burn hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Dollar General has received two reports of the batteries overheating. No

injuries have been reported.

Description: The recalled toy speed boats are lightweight plastic toy boats supported by an inflatable hull with "outboard" motors on them. The motor uses two AA batteries. The toy boat measures about 12 inches long by 8 inches wide and comes in various colors and designs.

Sold at: Dollar General nationwide from March 2008 through July 2008 for \$3 each.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should take these toys away from young children and return them to the store where purchased for a refund or replacement product.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Dollar General at (800) 678-9258 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.dollargeneral.com.



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$800 billion annually. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals – contributed significantly to the decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

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. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.

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