

Press Release

For Immediate Release

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From: NH State Fire Marshal's Office
CC: FMO Investigators
Date: June 27, 2011
Re: Recall due to fire & burn hazard

The NH State Fire Marshal, J William Degnan, would like everyone to be aware of the following fire & burn hazard recall update:

Napa Home & Garden Recalls NAPAFire and FIREGEL Pourable Gel Fuel Due to Fire and Burn Hazards

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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. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of Product: Pourable NAPAFire and FIREGEL Gel Fuel bottles and jugs

Units: About 460,000 bottles and jugs

Distributor: Napa Home & Garden, of Duluth, Ga.

Hazard: The pourable gel fuel can ignite unexpectedly and splatter onto people and objects nearby when it is poured into a firepot that is still burning. This hazard can occur if the consumer does not see the flame or is not aware that the firepot is still ignited. Fuel gel that splatters and ignites can pose fire and burn risks to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Napa is aware of 37 reports of incidents, including 23 burn injuries to consumers.

Description: The product is a clear, pourable gel fuel packaged in clear one-quart plastic bottles and one-gallon plastic jugs and sold in non-scented and citronella scents. The fuel is poured into a stainless steel cup in the center of firepots or other decorative lighting devices and ignited.

Sold at: Bed Bath & Beyond, Shopko, Restoration Hardware, specialty and gift shops, furniture stores, and home and garden stores nationwide, as well as through Amazon.com, home and garden catalogs, and home decorators and landscape architects between December 2009 and June 2011 for between \$5 and \$78.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the pourable gel fuel in firepots and return all bottles or jugs to the retailer where the consumer purchased the fuel for a full refund. A retrofit for the Napa brand firepots is being evaluated and may be available in the near future.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, call Napa Home & Garden at (888) 893-2323 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, visit Napa's website at <http://www.napahomeandgarden.com/> or write to Napa, 3270 Summit Ridge Parkway, Suite 240, Duluth, GA 30096-1617

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including a picture of the recalled products, please go to:
<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml11/11255.html>