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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** ES

**DATE:** 3/18/02

**Through:** Todd A. Stevenson, Secretary, OS *TAS*

**FROM :** Martha A. Kosh, OS *mak*

**SUBJECT:** Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters (REVISED 8/5/04)

ATTACHED ARE COMMENTS ON THE CC 02

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From: Kleijn, Joop (ASN) [Joop.Kleijn@swedishmatch.nl]  
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2002 7:04 AM  
To: 'cpsc-os@cpsc.gov'  
Subject: Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters

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> Dear Sir,  
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> We have reviewed the Federal Register Notice of January 17, 2002, wherein  
> the Commission is notifying the public of the Lighter Association's  
> petition to adopt ASTM F40 - safety standard for lighters - as a  
> mandatory rule.  
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> We would like to express our strong support for this measure .As the  
> manufacturer and distributor of Cricket® lighters, Swedish Match has  
> always been supporting strict standards on the safety of lighter products.  
> These products are common household items and consumers should be able to  
> rely on their safety.  
> Moreover, after the issuance of a mandatory rule on child resistency , the  
> obligation to make lighters safe according to the general safety standard  
> ( ASTM F400) is a logical and necessary step in the protection of the  
> public safety .  
> In light of the many incidents with cheap disposable lighters from China,  
> failing to meet these standards , and then causing injuries to consumers,  
> we feel that it is time for the Commission to issue a mandatory rule .  
> This is particularly significant now that over 400 million lighters are  
> imported from China into the U S A .  
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> Thank you for your consideration of our views .  
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> Yours sincerely ,  
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> Joop Kleijn  
> Vice President , Business Development  
> Swedish Match Lighter Division  
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Re: Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

We are writing on behalf of New York Lighter Company, Inc. ("NY Lighter") in response to the above-referenced petition, which requests that the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC") issue a rule adopting a voluntary American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") specification as a consumer product safety standard. NY Lighter favors the adoption of the ASTM specification as a mandatory consumer product safety standard and will be submitting its official comments in response to the CPSC's *Federal Register* notice on March 18, 2002. However, we wish to correct for the record mischaracterizations contained in the petition that disparage certain of NY Lighter's products and imported lighters in general, particularly those made in China.

The petition claims that most imported disposable lighters do not meet minimum safety standards followed by the U.S. lighter industry since the adoption of the ASTM F400 specification in 1975. NY Lighter has noticed that not all lighters distributed in the United States appear to meet the ASTM specification, but the petitioner's claims that

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most imported lighters do not meet that specification is an exaggeration.<sup>1</sup> NY Lighter is one of the largest importers and distributors of disposable lighters made in China. It insists that its suppliers comply with the ASTM specification and routinely has its lighters tested to ensure compliance.

The petition cites as evidence of non-complying imported lighters a 1995 voluntary recall in which NY Lighter cooperated with the CPSC and removed from the market 50,000 disposable lighters. That recall was triggered by evidence of a handful of lighters failing to extinguish after use. NY Lighter, acting as a responsible distributor of consumer products, recalled the entire lot. This seven-year old recall is evidence of an importer taking action to rectify a limited production problem. It is not evidence of a pervasive problem with all lighters imported from China.

The petition also refers to Health Canada notices of lighter brands seized for illegal sale in Canada. Some of those brands are brands that NY Lighter distributes in the United States. However, NY Lighter never sold those lighters in Canada, never intended nor authorized them to be sold in Canada, did not label them for sale in Canada, and never submitted them to Health Canada for regulatory review. The lighters were seized because they were not authorized to be in Canada, and not due to any failure of NY Lighter brands to meet the ASTM specification. In fact, those NY Lighter brands are manufactured in conformance with the ASTM specification and NY Lighter periodically has them tested to ensure conformity with the ASTM specification.

NY Lighter has long supported the adoption of the ASTM F400-97 specification as a mandatory consumer product safety standard. In fact, we submitted a petition on behalf of NY Lighter, dated May 1, 2000, requesting that the CPSC "adopt as a mandatory standard pursuant to Section 9 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. § 2058), the Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Lighters (F400-97) of the American Society for Testing and Materials." The CPSC should make the ASTM specification mandatory because to do so is in the best interest of U.S. consumers. However, the CPSC should not countenance the Lighter Association's attempt to use the CPSC's petitioning process as a means to cast unwarranted aspersions on the products of particular foreign countries.

Sincerely,



Elliot V. Feldman

Counsel to New York Lighter Company, Inc.

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<sup>1</sup> In fact, based upon the Milford, Connecticut address of the manufacturer/distributor noted in one of the Consumer Product Incident Reports appended to the petition, it appears that the concerns expressed in the petition apply equally to lighters presumably made in the United States by BIC Corporation.

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Re: Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

We are writing on behalf of New York Lighter Company, Inc. ("NY Lighter") in support of the above-referenced petition. NY Lighter is one of the largest importers and distributors of disposable lighters made in China. NY Lighter agrees with the petitioner that the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC") should adopt the American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") F400-97 Standard Consumer Specification for Lighters ("ASTM Specification") as a consumer product safety standard.

**NY Lighter Supports Adoption Of The ASTM Specification**

NY Lighter has supported the adoption of the ASTM Specification as a mandatory consumer product safety standard for many years. NY Lighter submitted a petition, dated May 1, 2000, requesting that the CPSC "adopt as a mandatory standard pursuant to Section 9 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. § 2058), the Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Lighters (F400-97) of the American Society for Testing and Materials."

The reasons NY Lighter recommended the adoption of the ASTM Specification as a mandatory consumer product standard two years ago are equally valid now. NY

Lighter and other responsible sellers of cigarette lighters already comply with the ASTM Specification. NY Lighter insists that its suppliers comply with the ASTM Specification and routinely has its lighters tested to ensure conformity with that specification. However, NY Lighter has noticed in the U.S. marketplace a substantial volume of cigarette lighters that do not comply. NY Lighter believes that these non-complying lighters are responsible for a disproportionately large share of serious injury to consumers, and create a harmful image for everyone in the lighter business.

The contrast between the U.S. and Canadian markets demonstrates the need for the CPSC to adopt the ASTM Specification as mandatory, rather than voluntary. That standard is mandatory in Canada, and the border is not hermetically sealed. Canadian enforcement can raise doubts about the safety of U.S. lighters simply because of a difference in standards. The Canadian standard is more rigorous and, in our view, more appropriate for this kind of product.

When lighters are manufactured in conformity with the ASTM Specification, we believe the risk of accidents and injury is reduced significantly. As stated in the scope section of the ASTM Specification:

1.2. This specification establishes requirements for lighters to ensure a reasonable degree of safety for normal use or reasonably foreseeable misuse of such lighters by users.

1.3. Lighters, being flame-producing devices, can, as do all flame sources, present a potential hazard to the consumer. This specification cannot eliminate all hazards, but is intended to minimize potential hazards of lighters to users.

NY Lighter recommends that the CPSC adopt as a mandatory requirement, pursuant to the Consumer Product Safety Act, the ASTM Specification. Adoption of this standard as a mandatory requirement should not pose an undue burden on industry because responsible manufacturers and sellers of cigarette lighters already conform to this standard voluntarily. Moreover, because the ASTM Specification is performance-based, there are no patent restrictions or other reasons why all companies selling cigarette lighters in the United States would not be able to comply. Already established and voluntary, the ASTM Specification could be converted to a mandatory standard without new or special testing.

#### A Mandatory Standard Is In The Public Interest

NY Lighter understands that as a policy matter Congress has directed the CPSC to rely upon voluntary industry standards as the preferred method of promoting consumer safety. However, Congress also instructed the CPSC not to rely upon voluntary standards unless it is likely that there will be substantial compliance. NY Lighter and other reputable companies sell only lighters that comply with the voluntary

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standard, but there is a substantial volume of lighters in the U.S. market that do not comply.

A decade ago the CPSC, in cooperation with industry, acted to protect U.S. consumers from lighters that were too easy for children to operate. The CPSC should now complete the job and act to protect consumers as a whole by mandating that all lighters sold in the United States meet the industry's own standards for safe operation.

The dramatic decrease in fires, deaths and injuries resulting from the CPSC's adoption of the child-resistance standard in 1994 demonstrates the benefit of mandatory safety standards for disposable cigarette lighters. According to a November 2000 CPSC report, "fire deaths associated with children playing with lighters dropped 43 percent since the CPSC required cigarette lighters to be child-resistant starting in 1994." See CPSC Release #01-026 (November 2, 2000). Residential fires associated with children playing with lighters dropped 45 percent between 1994 and 1998 and injuries declined 49 percent. *Id.*

A mandatory consumer product safety standard that Customs can enforce at the border would not only benefit the consuming public, it also would benefit the lighter industry by reducing unnecessary and costly exposure to liability. Those who produce and sell unsafe lighters are not as visible as those who respect public safety, and unwarranted liability claims frequently are focused on the most reputable companies like NY Lighter. A reduction in accidents, therefore, can help the lighter industry.

NY Lighter continues to support the adoption of the ASTM Specification as a consumer product safety standard, and urges the CPSC to act affirmatively on the petition.

Sincerely,



Elliot J. Feldman  
John J. Burke

Counsel to New York Lighter Company, Inc.

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Re: Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

We are writing on behalf of Polycity Enterprises Ltd. ("Polycity") in support of the above-referenced petition. Polycity is a Hong Kong exporter of cigarette lighters made in China and is one of the largest exporters of such lighters from China. Polycity agrees with the petitioner that the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC") should adopt the American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") F400-97 Standard Consumer Specification for Lighters ("ASTM Specification") as a consumer product safety standard.

Polycity has supported the adoption of the ASTM Specification as a mandatory consumer product safety standard for many years. It submitted a petition, dated May 1, 2000, requesting that the CPSC "adopt as a mandatory standard pursuant to Section 9 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. § 2058), the Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Lighters (F400-97) of the American Society for Testing and Materials." Although the CPSC did not act on Polycity's petition in 2000, it should act now.

The reasons Polycity recommended the adoption of the ASTM Specification as a mandatory consumer product standard two years ago remain valid. Polycity tests lighters it sells to the United States according to the ASTM Specification, and expects U.S. distributors to do the same. Polycity regards safety as good business.

As an exporter of lighters made in China, Polycity is concerned that the irresponsible actions of a few companies not tarnish the reputation of all lighters made in China. Polycity is aware that there are lighter producers in China, and in other countries, who ship lighters of doubtful safety to the United States. Therefore, Polycity urges the CPSC to make the safety standards mandatory and keep unsafe lighters out of the market.

The contrast between the U.S. and Canadian markets demonstrates the need for the CPSC to adopt the ASTM Specification as mandatory, rather than voluntary. That standard is mandatory in Canada. Because Health Canada has recognized that Polycity's cigarette lighters comply with the ASTM Specification, they lawfully are imported into and distributed within Canada. Polycity believes there are far fewer accidents caused by lighters in Canada than in the United States, and therefore believes the Canadian standard should be applied in the United States. Such a change would also give consistency to the North American market.

Meeting the CPSC's child safety standard required a major effort on the part of industry to design new lighters. For example, the companies that manufacture lighters for Polycity had to develop their own patented child-resistance mechanisms. However, that effort was worthwhile as the CPSC's child safety standard has saved hundreds of lives since it became mandatory in 1994. See CPSC Release # 01-026 (November 2, 2000).

By contrast to the adjustments industry had to make for the child safety requirements, making the ASTM Specification mandatory should not pose an undue burden on industry. Responsible manufacturers and sellers of cigarette lighters already conform to this standard voluntarily. Moreover, because the ASTM Specification is performance-based, there are no patent restrictions or other reasons why all companies selling cigarette lighters in the United States would not be able to comply. The ASTM Specification, already established and voluntary, could be converted to a mandatory standard without new or special testing.

Polycity urges the CPSC to adopt the ASTM Specification as a mandatory consumer product safety standard. Such a change in safety requirements would be good for consumers and for the responsible industry.

Sincerely,



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Safety Standards for Multi-Purpose Lighters

Lighter Safety Quality Control

March 14, 2002

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 Washington, DC 20207

**RE: Petition CP 02-1 Petition on Lighters**

Dear Secretary:

I am writing to voice my support for the Lighter Association's petition to the Commission (CPSC) to adopt the ASTM voluntary safety standard on lighters (F400-00) as a mandatory government standard. I agree with the Lighter Association that the voluntary standard should be adopted as a consumer product safety standard under the authority of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA).

During my years as a compliance officer with the CPSC in the Bethesda headquarters office, I had the responsibility for overseeing CPSC's enforcement of the child resistance requirements at 16 CFR Part 1210, which became effective in July 1994. Between the adoption of the Safety Standard for Cigarette Lighters (16 CFR 1210) in July 1993 and my retirement from CPSC in December 2000, I personally examined thousands of disposable and cheap refillable butane-fueled cigarette lighters as part of my official duties. I also reviewed hundreds of incident reports and consumer complaints received by commission staff during my tenure as a compliance officer. As a result of my observations of lighters and my review of official documents, it is obvious to me that many disposable and refillable butane-fueled lighters imported into the United States are unsafe for consumer use, even lighters that comply with the child resistance requirements of 16 CFR § 1210.3. Adopting ASTM F400-00 as a mandatory standard under the CPSA will, in my opinion, make imported lighters much safer for consumers by improving CPSC's ability to require recalls of lighter that do not conform to the safety requirements currently included in ASTM F400-00.

Many cheap lighters imported from 1993 - 2000 could not meet the drop test requirements of the voluntary standard, exhibited spitting and sputtering of fuel when activated, leaked fuel, could not withstand exposure to high or low temperature conditions without malfunctioning, and exhibited erratic flame heights. Many disposable lighters with supposedly adjustable flame height

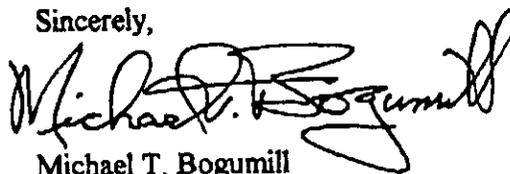
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controls could not be adjusted, because the controls did not work. CPSC received many reports from consumers about lighters that exploded inside automobiles or in the consumers' hands. Reports were received alleging damage caused by lighters that did not go out on their own when pressure was released from the gas release button on disposable lighters. Many lighters examined by CPSC staff failed to function properly when they arrived at the port of entry, and many lighters fell apart with minimal handling while being examined by staff. These failures in many instances placed the person handling the lighter at risk of injury, sometimes serious injury.

Requiring all lighters subject to the current safety standard for child resistance, i.e. 16 CFR Part 1210, to also meet the safety requirements currently included in ASTM F400-00 would be an enormous benefit to consumers without overburdening the lighter industry. Many importers already require lighter manufacturers to make lighters that conform to the ASTM standard, but too many importers still do not. The failure to conform to the ASTM safety standard places too many consumers at risk of serious injury or death because of the hidden hazards defective and deficient lighters pose.

For the above reasons, and due to my personal experiences with lighters, I strongly urge the CPSC to consider adopting ASTM F400-00 or similar safety standards for lighters as a mandatory government standard under the authority of the CPSA.

Sincerely,



Michael T. Bogumill

(CP 02-1)PETITION ON LIGHTER

In order to make our way fit for the international custom Chinese government did a lot of work when joined the WTO. We pay much attention to the problems concern to safety, health and environment protection. On 1<sup>st</sup> June,2001 Chinese government announced that in order to ensure the safety and quality lighter must be tested by CIQ before it exported.

Our laboratory (Hazardous Products Central Laboratory (HPCL)) was established in March, 1998. We have well educated staff and advanced equipment. It is the only laboratory assigned to accept domestic lighter inspection work by Chinese government.

According to the international custom, business and safety we suggest that the lighters test should be finished at export country. We have ability to finish this work and protect people's safety.

We attended some international meetings representing Chinese government for several times, for instance, UN Experts Committee on Transport of Dangerous Goods, ISOTC61 and DGM. We periodically get standards or information from UN Experts Committee on Dangerous Goods Transport, ISO, IMO, IATA, European DGM, U.S.A. CPSC and Health Canada, and distribute those standards or information to CIQ inside and manufacturers.

In March, 2000 Mr. Andy Teliszewsky and Ms. Rakhil Grinsphon of HC came to our laboratory. After checked equipments and standards,they confirmed our ability of inspection and considered that our laboratory had achieved HC's requirement. We got their approve, our certificate of inspection was accepted by Canadian government. The official of CPSC gave us many help and advice on. On 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2002 Mr. Jim Joholske and Mr. Perry Sharpless visited our laboratory. We colloquized very happily. American guests had initial impression about our laboratory, we comprehended your government's requirements about lighters we have a

good beginning of cooperation. We hope our lighters should comply for the United States' law and get your customer's fondness. We will invite your government organization to visit our laboratory to inspect our ability of inspection. Now we put in achievement to be the unique Chinese laboratory approved by CPSC.

If we get the written approval of your government we would like to consider as well as we will record for CR according to your requirements to protect consumer safety better.

Hazardous Products Central Laboratory  
18 March, 2002



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March 8, 2002

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**Re: Petition CP 02-1, Petition on Lighters**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find five (5) copies of BIC Corporation's comments in support of the above-referenced Petition.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas M. Kelleher".

Thomas M. Kelleher  
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BEFORE THE  
U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

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Petition CP 02-1  
Petition on Lighters

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Comments of BIC Corporation  
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Comments of BIC Corporation  
in Support of Petition

**INTRODUCTION**

By Federal Register Notice published January 17, 2002, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (“CPSC” or “Commission”) solicited written comments concerning the above-captioned Petition. See 67 Fed. Reg. 2420 (January 17, 2002). Comments on the Petition were requested on or before March 18, 2002. Id. By this filing, BIC Corporation submits its formal comments in support of the Petition.

**IDENTIFICATION OF COMMENTOR**

BIC Corporation (“BIC”) is a diversified corporation primarily engaged in the manufacture and sale of high-quality, low-cost consumer products. These products include writing instruments, lighters, shavers and correction fluids. While most of BIC Corporation’s operations are conducted in the United States, operations are also conducted at other locations in North and Central America. Societe BIC, S.A. is the corporation’s majority shareholder.

BIC is the leading manufacturer and distributor of disposable lighters in North America.

## POSITION OF COMMENTOR

BIC Corporation strongly supports the Petition. Specific comments are set forth below.

### COMMENTS

For many years, BIC and others have publicly questioned the quality and safety of certain lighters imported into the United States.

In November 2001, BIC prepared a chart which summarized recalls and warnings concerning cigarette lighters issued by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and Health Canada. A copy of this chart is attached hereto.

In total, 76 cigarette lighter brands have been recalled or warned against since 1995. This represents millions of lighters which present fire, injury and burn hazards to consumers.

The numbers summarized in the attached chart do not represent the rare and unfortunate manufacturing oversight which necessitates a recall. Rather, the numbers indicate an apparent blatant disregard of the voluntary standards governing the manufacture and performance cigarette lighters.

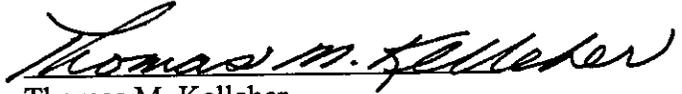
The ASTM standard for cigarette lighters (ASTM F400-00) has the force and effect of law in Canada and Mexico. The evidence is compelling that unreasonable risks of injury are being created by failure to enforce the existing voluntary standard in the United States, and that the United States should join Canada and Mexico by promulgating a mandatory standard.

**CONCLUSION**

In conclusion, BIC Corporation wishes to emphasize its strong support for the Petition.

BIC Corporation commends the Commission's efforts in this proceeding and looks forward to a prompt issuance of a mandatory standard.

Respectfully submitted,



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**POCKET LIGHTER RECALLS/WARNINGS  
U.S. AND CANADA**

<b>BRAND NAME</b>	<b>COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</b>	<b>IMPORTED BY</b>	<b>LOT NUMBER</b>	<b>DEFECTS</b>	<b>AGENCY</b>	<b>RESPONSE/ RECOMMENDED ACTION</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<b>(1) PUSH-N-LITE (Disposable, child-resistant)</b>	China	Y & U International Toronto, Ontario (Canada)	Lot Nos. M.F.D. 06/95 and 07/95 S.W. UPC Code: 7-44230-21068-5 Available in Toronto area.	Excessive flame height. Spurt droplets of fuel from jet when used. Continue to burn for longer than 10 seconds after the lever is released. Release fuel when dropped. Child-resistant mechanism in some lighters non-functioning.	Health Canada	No reported injuries, however, one report of the top of the lighter coming off and releasing the fuel. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachments (1) and (1a). Announced 13- October-1995 and 21-December-1995.
<b>(2) CITY-LITES OR C- LITES (Disposable, standard)</b>	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August- 1997.
<b>(3) LIBERTY-LITES (Disposable, standard)</b>	China	New York Lighter Co., Brooklyn, NY (USA)	None. Available across USA since 1992. Manufactured in 1992. 50,000 units (in combination with Liberty-Lites, discussed below).	Fail to extinguish after use and flare up during use.	CPSC	10 incidents, including one car fire and 4 burn victims (in combination with Liberty-Lites, discussed below). Being voluntarily recalled. Return to importer in postage-paid mailer for refund.	See Attachment (2). Announced 17-November- 1995. Note: Spokesman for New York Lighter Co. said some of the lighters might not even be New York Lighter's since other factories copied and distributed them and that it is "too hard to find out who produced these under our name."
<b>(4) COMET (Disposable, child-resistant)</b>	China	New York Lighter Co., Brooklyn, NY (USA)	None. Available across USA since 1992. Manufactured in 1992. 50,000 units (in combination with City-Lites, discussed above).	Fail to extinguish after use and flare up during use.	CPSC	10 incidents, including one car fire and 4 burn victims (in combination with City- Lites, discussed above). Being voluntarily recalled. Return to importer in postage-paid mailer for refund.	See Attachment (2). Announced 17-November- 1995. Note: [See comments re: City-Lites, above.]
<b>(5) KING (Disposable, child-resistant)</b>	China	Y.B.S. Trading Ltd., Mississauga, Ontario (Canada)	None. Available across Canada since 07/95.	When dropped, impact may cause lighters to release fuel. With extended use, the lighter may become damaged and the child-resistant mechanism may not function.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (3). Announced 28-November- 1995.
<b>(6) KING (Disposable, child-resistant)</b>	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August- 1997.
<b>(7) KING (Disposable, child-resistant)</b>	Thailand	Daniels Wholesale Toronto, Ontario (Canada)	None. Available across Canada since 09/95	Excessive and fluctuating flame heights.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (3). Announced 28-November- 1995.

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(6) TAIYO (Disposable, child-resistant)	Thailand	UNDEX-APEX (Canada) Inc. Scarborough, Ontario (Canada)	Lot No. 001 UPC Code: 7-7832-00101 Available in British Columbia and Saskatchewan since 08/95.	Excessive and sudden increases in flame height. Continues to burn for longer than 4 seconds after the lever is released.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (3). Announced 28-November- 1995.
(7) CIG (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Young's Association, Inc., Gardena, CA (USA)	None. Available in AZ, AR, CA, HI, ID, MO, NY, NV, OK, OR, WA, PR since 06/95. Approx. 900,000 units (in combination with SNAPLOC, discussed below).	At least 50% of the lighters can be ignited without using the child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to place of purchase for full refund.	See Attachment (4). Announced 14-December- 1995.
(8) SNAPLOC (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Young's Association, Inc., Gardena, CA (USA)	None. Available in AZ, AR, CA, HI, ID, MO, NY, NV, OK, OR, WA, PR since 06/95. Approx. 900,000 units (in combination with CIG, discussed above).	At least 50% of the lighters can be ignited without using the child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Being voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to place of purchase for full refund.	See Attachment (4). Announced 14-December- 1995.
(9) C-LITES (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	New York Lighter Co., Brooklyn, NY (USA)	None. Available across Canada. Approx. 3,000,000 units shipped into Canada since 04/95.	Sudden increases in flame height. Failed to meet other requirements of Canadian Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	Health Canada	No injuries reported to Health Canada. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (5). Announced 24-January- 1996.
(10) LIBERTY-LITES (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	New York Lighter Co., Brooklyn, NY (USA)  Unknown	None. Available across Canada. Number of units unknown.  All (1995 through 1997)	Sudden increases in flame height. Failed to meet other requirements of Canadian Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.  100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada  Health Canada	No injuries reported to Health Canada. Stop using and dispose of immediately.  Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (5). Announced 24-January- 1996.  See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August- 1997.
(11) SNAPLOC (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	New York Lighter Co., Brooklyn, NY (USA)	None. [See C-Lites, discussed above (9).]	Sudden increases in flame height. Failed to meet other requirements of Canadian Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	Health Canada	No injuries reported to Health Canada. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (5). Announced 24-January- 1996.

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(12) SPEC (Disposable, child-resistant)	Taiwan	Lucky Chan Trading Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ontario (Canada)	Lot No. 06 1995. UPC Code: 7-07670-16661-5. Between 10,000 to 20,000 units distributed to retailers; believed in Metropolitan Toronto and surrounding areas.	Sudden increases in flame heights. Continues to burn for longer than 14 seconds after use. Non-functioning child-resistant mechanism. With extended use, plastic near jet may burn.	Health Canada	No injuries reported to Health Canada. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (6). Announced 01-February- 1996.
(13) CLI-CLA (Grand Prix) (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	None. Appx. 1,000,000 units distributed to retail outlets across Canada. Sold individually or in blister packs under the name "Grand Prix."	Sudden increase in flame height, leakage of fuel, continuous burning for more than 2 seconds after the gas lever is released and malfunction of the child- resistant mechanism.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (7). Announced 07-March-1996.
(14) NONE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August- 1997.
(15) NONE (Refillable novelty and disposable standard, with push-button electronic ignition)	China	Palk International, Flushing, NY (USA)	None. Red, yellow, blue, green or purple plastic bodies. Paper label on lighter reads "CAUTION... MADE IN CHINA." Appx. 500,000 units sold in convenience and retail stores in NY from 06/95 to 04/96.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Fail to comply with CPSC safety standards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to place of purchase for full refund.	See Attachment (8). Announced 22-October- 1996. CPSC learned of problem during joint surveillance with U.S. Customs Service.
(15) NONE (Refillable novelty and disposable standard, with push-button electronic ignition)	China	NBO Group Inc., Sanatfe Springs, CA (USA)	None. Available across USA from 09/94 to 03/96. Appx. 110,000 units, most are silver, copper, or gold-tone metal with relief figures of birds, dragons, crocodiles, or other animals. Others resemble revolvers and dragons. Retail for \$3 to \$10.	Lack child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to place of purchase for full refund.	See Attachment (9). Announced 29-October- 1996. U.S. Customs alerted CPSC to this hazard.

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(16) TURBOJET (Refillable, windproof)	China	Unknown	None. In metal casings of various plain or silver colors with an embossed design of a flying eagle, eagle head or dragon on body of lighter. Sold across Canada.	Sudden increases in flame height, may leak fuel, and may continue to burn for more than four seconds after the gas lever is released.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Stop using and dispose of immediately.	See Attachment (10). Announced 27-January 1997.
(17) WPUSHLITE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(18) J.G. SEA-OVERLOAD or J.G. (Windproof, refillable, pen-shaped novelty lighter)	China	Feng Hua Holding Inc., Scarborough, Ontario (Canada)	None. 1,600,000 units imported in the fall of 1996 and available in 30-count trays. Sold across Canada.	Leakage of fuel, continuous burning after release of fuel valve, and malfunction of child-resistant mechanism.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachment (11). Announced 13-February-1997.
FRUPI (CURIOSITY MENCHU) (Windproof, refillable, copper-colored, rectangular novelty lighter)	China	Y & U International, Inc., Toronto, Ontario (Canada)	Unknown. Tens of thousands of units.	Impact electric shocks when used. Burst into flames when dropped. Excessive flame heights. Spurt droplets of fuel when used. Continue to burn for longer than 10 seconds after the lever is released.	Health Canada	Stop further use and dispose of in accordance with local laws. Being voluntarily recalled.	See Attachment (12). Announced 02-May-1997.
ZPC TIGER BRAND (Windproof, refillable, cylindrical-shaped, key fob novelty lighter)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	Also see Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
GLP (Windproof, refillable, gold-colored, shaped like three cylinders with silver colored eagle crest applique, novelty lighter)							

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NONE (Windproof, refillable, silver-colored, parrot-shaped novelty lighter)							
NONE (Windproof, copper-colored, crocodile-shaped novelty lighter)							
NONE (Windproof, refillable, plastic novelty lighter with granite-like appearance)							
NONE (Windproof, refillable, gold colored, rectangular, flip-top novelty lighter with detailed scroll work)							
<b>AMERICAN LIGHT</b> (Windproof, refillable, simulated leather, reddish brown-colored, flip-top rectangular novelty lighter, with silver-colored dragon emblem applique)	China	DB Marketing Group Inc., El Monte, CA (USA)	Unknown. 790,000 units sold in the Los Angeles, CA area between 09/96 and 03/97.	Either lack child-resistant mechanism or have defective child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (13). Announced 26-June-1997.
<b>(19) EASYLIGHT</b> (Disposable, child-resistant)							

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(20) CHINA (Disposable)	China	Tabco International Inc., Chicago, IL (USA)	Unknown. Appx. 12,000 units with labels resembling a \$100 bill and beer vendor designs or without labels and with transparent fuel reservoir in a variety of colors. Available in CA, FL, IA, MO, NM, NY, NC, OR, OK, TN, VA & WI from 02/96 through 06/96.	Either lack child-resistant mechanism or have defective child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (13). Announced 26-June-1997.
(21) NONE (Refillable, novelty)	China	Kasit Co., Los Angeles, CA (USA)	Unknown. Appx. 27,000 units. Metal lighters are silver, copper or gold. Most styles resemble revolvers, antique pistols, motorcycles and dragons. Other styles have relief figures of a horse and rider and the word "Marlboro" on the casing. Available in CA, WA, NV, FL, GA, TX, AZ and MT from 09/94 through 09/96.	Either lack child-resistant mechanism or have defective child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (13). Announced 26-June-1997.
(22) NONE (Refillable, novelty)	China	Hanger International Corp., City of Industry, CA (USA)	Unknown. Appx. 14,000 units. Styles include a pearl-handled antique brass derringer pistol; black-handled snub-nosed pistol; antique brass figures of a seahorse and dragon; and a yellow soccer ball on a soccer boot. Available in Southern California from 06/96 through 01/97.	Either lack child-resistant mechanism or have defective child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (13). Announced 26-June-1997.
(23) "T-J-C," "88" and "HEOLLO-888" (Refillable, novelty)	China	Chicago Import Co., Chicago, IL (USA)	Unknown. Appx. 2,000 units. Styles include a snub-nosed revolver with gunmetal-blue frame marked "T-J-C," snub-nosed revolver with copper frame and no markings, and a snub-nosed automatic pistol with a copper frame marked with a crescent moon and star and "HEOLLO-888." Available nationwide from 08/96 through 02/97.	Either lack child-resistant mechanism or have defective child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Voluntarily recalled. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (13). Announced 26-June-1997.

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(24) A/M (American Match) (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(25) CITY LITES (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997. See Brand Names (2) and (9), above.
(26) CLASSIC GOLD (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(27) EVERGLIDE (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(28) FUPI (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(29) GQ (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(30) JANMOR (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.
(31) LITZ (Unknown)	China	Unknown	All (1995 through 1997)	100% of samples of marketed lighters failed to meet performance tests set out in the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations when tested by Product Safety Laboratory.	Health Canada	Will be refused entry into Canada unless and until importer(s) provides proof of compliance with the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.	See Attachment (14). Announced 07-August-1997.

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(32) WALGREEN SMOKE TOTE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Walgreen Co., Deerfield, IL (USA)	None. 53,000 units sold as part of the "Smoke Tote" set (lighter and matching cigarette case). Available across USA from 08/96 through 06/97.	Child-resistant mechanism could fail to reset, potentially allowing young children to ignite lighter.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to Walgreen store where purchased for full refund.	See Attachment (15). Announced 24-September-1997.
(33) NONE (Disposable & novelty, child-resistant)	China	Yongxin International Inc., City of Industry, CA (USA)	None. 83 brands of disposable and novelty lighters (141,300 units), imported into the US on three occasions between 10/94 and 06/96.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Improperly labeled. Not accompanied by certificate of compliance.	CPSC	Lighters were prevented from being sold in US. Importer agreed to pay \$50,000 civil penalty.	See Attachments (16) & (16a). Announced 26-November-1997. CPSC discovered lighters as part of ongoing import surveillance in conjunction with the U.S. Customs Service.
(34) ELITE-2 (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	ERA Intermarketing Co. Inc., City of Industry, CA (USA)	Appx. 840,000 units. Made of clear plastic tinted in assorted colors. Metal top labeled "ELITE" and label bears bar code "16229 12001" and date code "3/97". Sold by small retailers across USA from 06/97 to 03/98.	Lack child-resistant mechanism.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to importer for full refund.	See Attachment (17). Announced 09-April-1998. CPSC discovered defective product as part of ongoing import surveillance in conjunction with U.S. Customs Service.
(35) PURLITE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Daniels Wholesale Inc. Mississauga, Ontario (Canada)	None. Sold across Canada.	Can leak fuel after impact or exposure to elevated temperatures.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Importer is recalling lighter. Stop using and dispose of immediately in accordance with local laws.	See Attachment (18). Announced 06-May-1998.
(36) WINDPROOF #L2 AND WINDPROOF #L3 (Refillable, piezoelectric, catalytic, child-resistant)	China	American Hua Mao Enterprises, New York, NY (USA)	None. Appx. 139,000 units sold from 03/97 through 11/98 in small retail stores and souvenir shops in NY and MD.	Child-resistant mechanisms do not work. Young children could ignite the lighters.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (19). Announced 23-December-1998.
(37) "JFO" and "LAMP" (Novelty, child-resistant)	Not reported	Kikkerland Designs Inc., New York, NY (USA)	None. Appx. 20,000 units. Resemble flying saucers and lamps. Available nationwide from 03/97 through 02/99.	Lack child-resistant mechanisms. Young children could ignite the lighters.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (20). Announced 13-April-1999.
(38) HARRY (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	None. Sold primarily by independent retailers in Canada who purchased the products from door-to-door salespersons.	Child-resistant mechanism ineffective. Poses a fire hazard - may explode when exposed to high temperatures.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Retailers asked to immediately remove from sale and to contact nearest Product Safety Bureau for further direction. Consumers should stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachment (21). Announced 04-May-1999.
(39) BEST (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	None. Sold primarily by independent retailers in Canada who purchased the products from door-to-door salespersons.	May continue to burn long after the lever is released to extinguish the flame. Poses a fire and safety hazard - may explode when exposed to high temperatures.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Retailers asked to immediately remove from sale and to contact nearest Product Safety Bureau for further direction. Consumers should stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachment (21). Announced 04-May-1999.

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(40) CIG (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Unknown	None. Sold primarily by independent retailers in Canada who purchased the products from door-to-door salespersons.	May continue to burn long after the lever is released to extinguish the flame. Has excessive flame height. May release fuel when dropped and burst into flames.	Health Canada	No reported injuries. Retailers asked to immediately remove from sale and to contact nearest Product Safety Bureau for further direction. Consumers should stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachment (21). Announced 04-May-1999.
(41) NONE (Disposable, child-resistant)	Not reported	Premium Tobacco Stores Inc., d/b/a Cigarettes Cheaper and The Customer Company, Benicia, CA (USA)	None. Appx. 184,000 units. Available in more than 224 retail tobacco stores throughout California in 1996 and again in 1999.	No child-resistant mechanisms or child-resistant mechanism intentionally removed.	CPSC	Permanent injunction (consent decree, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California) to stop the sale of disposable cigarette lighters that fail to meet government requirements for child resistance. \$225,000 fine.	See Attachments (22) and (23). Announced 28-May-1999 and 04-October-2001.
(42) NONE (Disposable and novelty, child-resistant)	China	C&H Trading, Metairie, LA (USA)	None. Appx. 40,000 units. Disposable lighters are metal with red, blue, silver, chrome or black rubber coating. Novelty lighters are shaped as cars, grenades, elephants, alligators, motorcycles, guns or telephones. Sold in small retail stores in LA, MA, MN, NY, TX & WA from 10/98 through 10/99.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for full refund.	See Attachment (24). Announced 03-June-1999.
(43) NONE (Disposable and novelty, child-resistant)	China	ZNY Enterprises Inc., New York, NY (USA)	None. Appx. 10,600 units. Disposable lighters are a "formal" design and are platinum-colored, gold accented metal lighter. Novelty lighters shaped as telephone pager, cell phone, and Godzilla. Sold nationwide from 01/99 through 04/99.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (25). Announced 15-June-1999.
(44) NONE (Disposable, child-resistant)	Not reported.	National Marketing, Memphis, TN (USA)	None. Sold by convenience stores and distributors nationwide.	Child-resistant mechanisms intentionally removed.	CPSC	Importer/distributor pled guilty to one felony count (making a false statement to a CPSC investigator) and faces a maximum sentence of 5 years imprisonment and/or a fine of \$250,000.	See Attachments (26) and (27). Announced 14-July-1999 and 01-November-1999.
(45) SHINE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Shine International Trading Co. Inc., Flushing, NY (USA)	None. Appx. 2.4 million units. Oval/tube-shaped, transparent solid-colored (red, green, yellow, orange or purple) plastic body. Appx. 3.25 inches high. "SHINE" is imprinted into the metal top of the lighter. Sold nationwide from 08/98 through 07/99.	Child-resistant mechanisms fail to meet CPSC requirements. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards. Additionally, the lighters can leak fuel and remain on after consumers have used them.	CPSC	Three incidents reported. One incident involved two lighters that continued to burn after the consumer put them down. Second incident involved two lighters that spontaneously blew apart while unattended, and the third incident involved a lighter that burst into flames resulting in minor property damage. No injuries reported. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for full refund.	See Attachment (28). Announced 14-October-1999.

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(46) NONE (Disposable and novelty, child-resistant)	China	Penda New York Inc., New York, NY (USA)	None. Apprx. 22,300 units. Disposable lighters are silver-colored metal, relatively flat, measuring 2.75 inches long, 1 inch wide and .25 inch thick. Novelty lighters are plastic and shaped as a "BMW" toy car with flashing lights and keychain, a "Coke" soda bottle, a "Budweiser" beer can with flashing lights, a fire extinguisher and a telephone pager with flashing lights belt clip. Sold in the NY and Miami areas from 01/99 through 07/99.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for full refund.	See Attachment (29). Announced 01-November-1999. U.S. Customs alerted CPSC to this product hazard.
(47) PROMETHEUS (Novelty, child-resistant)	Not reported	Prometheus International, Inc., Bell, California (USA)	None. Apprx. 4,000 units. "Intruder" model resembles propane or scuba tank. "Jupiter" model has a distinctive gun-like shape. Sold nationwide and via Internet from 03/97 through 02/99.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting a fire hazard.	CPSC	No injuries reported. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for a free replacement lighter with a child-resistant mechanism.	See Attachment (30). Announced 07-February-2000. Discovered by CPSC by monitoring Internet web sites as part of Operation Safe Online Shopping (SOS).
(48) TURBO 2000 (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Halpern Import Co. Inc., Atlanta, GA (USA)	UPC No. 0 80692 050101. Apprx. 350,000 units. Oval/tube-shaped. Green, red, blue, black or yellow body with metal top. Sold nationwide from 06/99 through 05/00.	Can burn with a high flame and can fail to extinguish, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	One report of a woman who received second degree burns on her chest when the lighter failed to extinguish and ignited her clothing. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (31). Announced 28-September-2000.
(49) ACTEX	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(50) AMERICAN MATCH	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(51) AM	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001. (See Brand Name (24), above.)

**POCKET LIGHTER RECALLS/WARNINGS  
U.S. AND CANADA**

5-Nov-01

BRAND NAME	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	IMPORTED BY	LOT NUMBER	DEFECTS	AGENCY	RESPONSE/ RECOMMENDED ACTION	COMMENTS
(52) BEST	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(53) C-LITES	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001. (See Brand Names (7) and (9), above.)
(54) EVERGLIDE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001. (See Brand Name (27), above.)
(55) GIL	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(56) HAPPY	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.

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5-Nov-01

BRAND NAMES	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	IMPORTED BY	LOT NUMBER	DEFECTS	AGENCY	RESPONSE/ RECOMMENDED ACTION	COMMENTS
(57) HARRY	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(58) KING	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001. (See Brand Name (5), above.)
(59) LIBERTY LITES	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001. (See Brand Names (3) and (10), above.)
(60) LIVING PICTURE AG	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(61) MAXLITE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.

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BRAND NAME	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	IMPORTED BY	LOT NUMBER	DEFECTS	AGENCY	RESPONSE/ RECOMMENDED ACTION	COMMENTS
(62) ROLL N LITE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(63) SNAPLITE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(64) SPIN-LITE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(65) STRIK'N LITE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(66) SUN	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.

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5-Nov-01

BRAND NAME	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	IMPORTED BY	LOT NUMBER	DEFECTS	AGENCY	RESPONSE/ RECOMMENDED ACTION	COMMENTS
(67) TOUCH LIFE	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(68) VIVA	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(69) WAX	China	Unknown	Unknown	Present fire, injury and burn hazards because they have been known to explode or leak gas when dropped; continue to burn when fork is released; explode or leak gas when exposed to heat; and have excessive flame heights.	Health Canada	One fatality may be associated with one of these brands of lighters. Being sold illegally in Canada. Health Canada inspectors, with the assistance of Canada Customs, are refusing entry or seizing shipments at border crossings and retailers. Stop using immediately and dispose of in accordance with local laws.	See Attachments (32) and (33). Announced 27-October-2000 and 08-August-2001.
(70) YOUJIE (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Fleetwood EXIM Inc., Grenada, Mississippi (USA)	None. Appx. 950,000 units. Oval/tube-shaped, with blue, orange, red or clear transparent case and chrome metal windshield with stamp, "youjie." Sold by convenience, gas, and grocery stores in the southeastern region of the U.S. from 06/00 through 02/01.	Child-resistant mechanisms do not work. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CFSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to store where purchased for a full refund.	See Attachment (34). Announced 05-April-2001.
(71) BODA-BING (Disposable, child-resistant)	China	Gildstrong Investments USA, Hacienda Heights, California (USA)	UPC Bar Code 0-80692-99930-1, 0-295114-0, or starts with 7-35998. Appx. 13 million units. Sold nationwide from 01/98 through 02/01.	Child-resistant mechanisms frequently ineffective. Young children are able to operate the lighters, posing a fire hazard.	CFSC	Report of a 4-year-old girl who died after starting a fire and then hid in a closet. The fire caused an estimated \$72,000 in damages. In another incident, two brothers, a 4-year-old and a 6-year-old, reportedly ignited clothing and paper inside a car causing appx. \$1,500 in damages. They were not injured. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachments (33) and (35). Announced 08-August-2001 and 17-April-2001.

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U.S. AND CANADA**

5-Nov-01

BRAND NAME	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	IMPORTED BY	LOT NUMBER	DEFECTS	AGENCY	RECOMMENDED ACTION	COMMENTS
(72) GIL	China	Gladstrong Investments USA, Hacienda Heights, California (USA)	UPC Bar Code is 0-80692-99930-1, 0-295114-0, or starts with 7-55998. Appx. 13 million units. Sold nationwide from 01/98 through 02/01.	Child-resistant mechanisms frequently ineffective. Young children are able to operate the lighters, posing a fire hazard.	CPSC	Report of a 4-year-old girl who died after starting a fire and then hid in a closet. The fire caused an estimated \$72,000 in damages. In another incident, two brothers, a 4-year-old and a 6-year-old, reportedly ignited clothing and paper inside a car causing about \$1,500 in damages. They were not injured. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (35). Announced 17-April-2001. (See Brand Name (55), above.)
(73) HAPPY	China	Gladstrong Investments USA, Hacienda Heights, California (USA)	UPC Bar Code is 0-80692-99930-1, 0-295114-0, or starts with 7-55998. Appx. 13 million units. Sold nationwide from 01/98 through 02/01.	Child-resistant mechanisms frequently ineffective. Young children are able to operate the lighters, posing a fire hazard.	CPSC	Report of a 4-year-old girl who died after starting a fire and then hid in a closet. The fire caused an estimated \$72,000 in damages. In another incident, two brothers, a 4-year-old and a 6-year-old, reportedly ignited clothing and paper inside a car causing about \$1,500 in damages. They were not injured. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (35). Announced 17-April-2001. (See Brand Name (56), above.)
(74) WAX	China	Gladstrong Investments USA, Hacienda Heights, California (USA)	UPC Bar Code is 0-80692-99930-1, 0-295114-0, or starts with 7-55998. Appx. 13 million units. Sold nationwide from 01/98 through 02/01.	Child-resistant mechanisms frequently ineffective. Young children are able to operate the lighters, posing a fire hazard.	CPSC	Report of a 4-year-old girl who died after starting a fire and then hid in a closet. The fire caused an estimated \$72,000 in damages. In another incident, two brothers, a 4-year-old and a 6-year-old, reportedly ignited clothing and paper inside a car causing about \$1,500 in damages. They were not injured. Stop using lighters immediately and return to store where purchased for refund.	See Attachment (35). Announced 17-April-2001. (See Brand Name (69), above.)
(75) "HAWAII," "GUAM," "SAIPAN," "LAS VEGAS," "USA," etc. (Refillable, electronic, child-resistant)	China	DFS Group Ltd., San Francisco, California (USA)	None. Appx. 65,000 units packaged in souvenir sets with ashtrays, pencils or pens and bearing location names such as "Hawaii," "Guam," etc. Have flip-up caps over the push-down ignition buttons. Sold in DFS stores in Hawaii, Guam, Saipan, San Francisco, Las Vegas, and Portland, OR from 01/96 through 04/01.	Lack child-resistant mechanisms. Young children can easily ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using lighters immediately and return to the DFS store where purchased for a refund.	See Attachment (36). Announced 24-April-2001.
(76) HOTERY POCKET TORCH and POCKET TORCH (Novelty, child-resistant)	Taiwan	Tools Exchange Inc., Lynwood, California (USA)	None. Appx. 5,300 units. Shaped like a fire hydrant and a fire extinguisher. Sold nationwide between 01/99 and 10/00.	Lack child-resistant mechanism. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.	CPSC	No reported injuries. Stop using immediately and return to place of purchase for a refund.	See Attachments (37) and (38). Announced 02-May-2001.

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# Notice of Recall

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13 October 1995

## DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS IMPORTED BY Y&U INTERNATIONAL FAIL SAFETY TESTS.

TORONTO - The Ontario Regional office of Health Protection Branch (HPB) of Health Canada is warning consumers not to use disposable cigarette lighters recently imported by Y&U International of Toronto, Ontario. These lighters can be identified as follows:

- The name PUSH-LITE stamped on the metal shield.
- A lot number M.F.D. 06/95 S.W. on the rectangular sticker.
- A UPC code 7-44230-21068-5 on the rectangular sticker.
- A separate smaller rectangular sticker with the dealer name and address may be affixed to the lighter.

Y & U International  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Health Canada testing concluded that these lighters do not meet safety regulations as they have excessive flame height, spurt droplets of fuel from the burner when used, continue to burn for longer than 10 seconds after the lever is released, release fuel when they are dropped, and the child resistant mechanism in some of lighters was found to be non-functioning.

The importer of this product, Y&U International of Toronto is cooperating with the Department and has voluntarily initiated a recall. The lighters were sold only in the Toronto area. While it is not known how many have actually been sold to consumers over 100,000 units were distributed to retail outlets.

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# Warning

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1995-90  
December 21, 1995

## DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS FAIL SAFETY TESTS

VANCOUVER - Health Canada is warning consumers not to use PushLite brand disposable lighters from lot 07/95. These lighters can be identified as follows:

- the name PUSHLITE is stamped on the metal shield;
- the UPC code 7-44230-21068-5 appears on the rectangular sticker;
- the lot number M.F.D. 07/95 S.W. is printed on the rectangular sticker.

These lighters do not meet safety regulations as they may have excessive flame heights, spurt droplets of fuel from the burner when used, and continue to burn after the fuel lever is released. Health Canada advises consumers to stop using them immediately and to dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

The importer of the product is cooperating with Health Canada and has voluntarily initiated a recall. Approximately 9,000 units were distributed to retail stores in the Vancouver area. No injuries have been reported.

Parents are reminded not to tamper with lighter child-resistant mechanisms and that child-resistant lighters are not child-proof. To avoid a tragedy, lighters and matches must be kept out of sight and out of reach of young children.

Health Canada is monitoring the effectiveness of this recall. Consumers can contact the Product Safety Office of Health Canada if they have any questions concerning this matter.

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The Health Protection Branch advises consumers to examine their lighters and immediately stop further use of these disposable lighters imported by Y&U International. Such lighters should be disposed of in accordance with local laws. Consumers can contact the nearest regional Health Protection Branch of Health Canada if they have any questions concerning this matter.

The Health Protection Branch is monitoring the effectiveness of the recall.

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# Warning

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1995-79  
November 28, 1995

## DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS FAIL SAFETY TESTS

OTTAWA - The Health Protection Branch (HPB) of Health Canada is warning consumers not to use three brands of disposable child-resistant cigarette lighters (COMET, KING and TAIYO) recently imported into Canada which do not meet safety regulations. The attached table provides further detail.

The brand name is stamped on the metal shield of these lighters. The Health Protection Branch advises consumers to stop using them immediately and dispose of them in accordance with local laws. The importers of these products are cooperating with Health Canada and have voluntarily initiated recalls. No injuries have been reported to Health Canada.

Parents are reminded that child-resistant lighters are not child-proof. To avoid a tragedy, lighters and matches must be kept out of sight and out of reach of young children.

Consumers can contact the nearest regional Health Protection Branch office of Health Canada if they have any questions concerning these products.

Attachment: Disposable Lighters Being Recalled

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**DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS BEING RECALLED**

Brand Name	COMET	KING	TAIYO
Made in	China	Thailand	Thailand
Imported by	Y.B.S. Trading Ltd. Mississauga, Ont.	Danials Wholesale Toronto, Ont.	UNI-APEX (CANADA) INC. Scarborough, Ont.
Lot number	none	none	- lot number 001 - UPC code 7-78732- 00101
Available in	across Canada since July 1995	across Canada since September 1995	British Columbia and Saskatchewan since August 1995
Defect	- when dropped, impact may cause lighters to release fuel - with extended use, the plastic near the fuel release opening may melt or burn and the child-resistant mechanism may not function	- excessive and fluctuating flame heights	-excessive and sudden increases in flame height - continues to burn for longer than 4 seconds after the lever is released

# NEWS from CPSC

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

OFFICE OF INFORMATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

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## CPSC AND YOUNG'S ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCE LIGHTER RECALL

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Young's Association Inc. of Gardena, Calif., is recalling 900,000 disposable cigarette lighters that do not comply with CPSC safety standards. CPSC test results showed that at least 50 percent of the lighters can be ignited without using the safety devices that prevent young children from igniting the lighters.

Young's Association imported the lighters from Hong Kong distributing them through convenience stores and gas stations in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Missouri, New York, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Washington and the Territory of Puerto Rico. The non-refillable, disposable cigarette lighters were sold for 50 to 75 cents each from a display tray containing 50 lighters in 5 assorted colors: blue, green, pink, purple and clear. The metal caps of the lighters were stamped with "CIG" and "SNAPLOC." Approximately 900,000 lighters were sold from June to September 1995.

Consumers should stop using the lighters immediately and keep them out of the reach of children. Consumers should return the lighters to the place where purchased for a full refund. For more information about this recall, consumers should contact Young's Association toll-free at (800) 654-0132, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. PST.

CPSC and Young's Association are not aware of any injuries involving these disposable cigarette lighters. This voluntary recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from the unreasonable risk of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov) or report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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# Warning

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1996-06  
January 24, 1996

**HEALTH CANADA WARNS CANADIANS  
NOT TO USE C-LITES AND LIBERTY LITES LIGHTERS**

OTTAWA • The New York Lighter Company, Inc., in cooperation with Health Canada, is voluntarily recalling approximately three million C-Lites® child-resistant disposable lighters shipped to distributors in Canada since April 1995. A second brand of lighters destined for the US market and bearing the brand name Liberty Lites® may have found its way onto the Canadian market.

A number of both lighters tested exhibited sudden increases in flame height and failed to meet other requirements of the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations. No injuries have been reported to Health Canada.

The brand name "C-LITES" or "Liberty Lites" is stamped on one side of the metal shield of these lighters, and the word "SNAPLOC" is stamped on the other side of the metal shield. The New York Lighter Company has contacted all of its distributors in Canada instructing them to immediately stop the sale of C-Lites lighters and to return existing stocks. The company is working with its supplier in China and with Health Canada to ensure that all future shipments of this product to Canada will comply with all applicable Canadian regulations.

Consumers already in possession of C-Lites or Liberty Lites lighters should dispose of them immediately in accordance with local laws.

Parents are reminded not to tamper with lighter child-resistant mechanisms. Child-resistant does not mean child-proof. To avoid a tragedy, lighters and matches must be kept out of sight and out of reach of young children.

For more information, consumers should contact

The New York Lighter Company's toll free number: 1-800-248-9548;

or the nearest regional Product Safety office of Health Canada.

Vancouver	(604) 666-5003	Hamilton	(905) 572-2845
Edmonton	(403) 495-2480	Montreal	(514) 646-1353
Calgary	(403) 292-5613	Quebec	(418) 648-4327
Saskatoon	(306) 975-4028	Moncton	(506) 851-6638
Winnipeg	(204) 983-2846	Dartmouth	(902) 426-8300
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The New York Lighter Company, Inc.  
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# Warning

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February 1, 1996

**DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS IMPORTED BY  
LUCKY CHAN TRADING COMPANY LTD. FAIL SAFETY TESTS.**

TORONTO - The Ontario Region, Health Protection Branch (HPB), Health Canada is warning consumers not to use disposable cigarette lighters recently imported by LUCKY CHAN Trading Company Ltd. of Toronto, Ontario. This warning applies to one lot of lighters which carries the following information printed on a rectangular adhesive label applied to the side of the lighter:

The name SPEC.

A lot number 06 1995.

Country of origin Made in Taiwan.

UPC code 7-07670-16661-5.

Tests conducted by HPB show that these lighters do not meet safety regulations in that they showed sudden increases in flame heights, continued to burn for longer than 14 seconds after the lever was released, have non-functioning child resistant mechanisms and with extended use, the plastic near the fuel release opening may burn.

While there have been no injuries reported, the importer of this product, LUCKY CHAN Trading Company Ltd. of Toronto is cooperating with HPB and is voluntarily recalling lot 06 1995 of this product. It is believed that the lighters were sold principally in the Metropolitan Toronto and surrounding areas. While it is not known how many lighters have actually been sold to consumers, between 10,000 to 20,000 units were distributed to

The Health Protection Branch advises consumers to stop using this lot of SPEC lighters immediately and to dispose of lighters in accordance with local by-laws.

Parents are reminded not to tamper with child-resistant lighter mechanisms and that child-resistant lighters are not child-proof. To avoid a tragedy, lighters and matches must be kept out of sight and out of reach of young children.

The Health Protection Branch is monitoring the effectiveness of the recall. Consumers and retailers can contact their nearest HPB office if they have any questions concerning this matter.

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March 7, 1996

## Health Canada Warns Not to Use CLI-CLA Lighters

**OTTAWA** - Health Canada is warning consumers not to use CLI-CLA brand disposable child-resistant lighters which fail to meet the Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.

A number of the tested lighters exhibited major defects such as: sudden increase in flame height, leakage of fuel, continuous burning for more than two seconds after the gas lever was released and malfunction of the child-resistant mechanism.

Approximately one million lighters have been distributed to retail outlets across the country. No injuries have been reported to Health Canada.

The brand name CLI-CLA is stamped on one side of the metal shield and CHINA on the other side. The lighters are sold individually or in blister packs under the name Grand Prix.

Product Safety inspectors are requesting the assistance of retailers to remove these lighters from sale and to contact their distributor for instructions regarding stock returns.

Consumers in possession of CLI-CLA lighters should stop using them immediately and dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

Health Canada wishes to remind parents not to tamper with lighters in a manner that would deactivate the child-resistant mechanism. These lighters are child-resistant not child-proof. To avoid a tragedy, lighters and matches must be kept out of sight and out of reach of young children.

For more information, consumers should contact the nearest regional Product Safety office of Health Canada.

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Saskatoon (306) 975-4028  
Moncton (506) 851-6638  
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**HEALTH CANADA WARNS NOT TO USE CLI-CLA LIGHTERS**

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(613) 957-1588**



# News from CPSC

## U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

Washington, D.C. 20207

**For Immediate Release**  
**October 22, 1996**  
**Release # 97-007**

**Contact: Ken Giles**  
**(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1184**

### **CPSC and Paik International Announce Cigarette Lighter Recall**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Paik International, of Flushing, N.Y., is recalling approximately 500,000 disposable butane cigarette lighters that do not comply with CPSC safety standards. The lighters do not have safety devices that prevent young children from igniting the lighters.

CPSC and Paik International are not aware of any injuries involving these cigarette lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

The non-refillable disposable cigarette lighters have red, yellow, green, blue, or purple plastic bodies. A paper label on the lighter reads, "CAUTION...MADE IN CHINA."

Convenience and retail stores in New York sold these cigarette lighters from June 1995 to April 1996 for less than \$1 each.

Consumers should stop using the cigarette lighters immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a full refund. For more information, consumers should call Paik International at (212) 545-1667.

CPSC's standard for child-resistant lighters, which went into effect on July 12, 1994, is intended to reduce the 150 deaths, 1,000 injuries, and more than 5,000 residential fires caused annually by children under the age of five playing with lighters.

CPSC learned of this problem during joint surveillance with the U.S. Customs Service.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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# News from CPSC

## U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

Washington, D.C. 20207

For Immediate Release  
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### CPSC and NBO Group Inc. Announce Lighter Recall

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), NBO Group Inc. of Santa Fe Springs, Calif., is recalling approximately 110,000 refillable novelty and disposable cigarette lighters that do not comply with CPSC safety standards. The lighters, which operate with push-button electronic ignition mechanisms to produce the flame, do not have safety devices that prevent young children from igniting the lighters.

CPSC and NBO are not aware of any injuries involving these lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

Most of the lighters are silver-, copper-, or gold-tone metal with relief figures of birds, dragons, crocodiles, or other animals on the casing. Other styles include lighters that resemble revolvers and dragons.

The lighters were sold individually or from display trays nationwide from September 1994 to March 1996 for \$5 to \$10 by small retailers of every type.

Consumers should stop using the lighters immediately and return them to the place where purchased for a full refund. For more information about this recall, consumers can contact Patty Pany of NBO Group toll-free at (800) 716-0100.

U.S. Customs alerted CPSC to this hazard.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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# Warning

1997-03  
January 27, 1997

## TURBOJET WINDPROOF LIGHTERS FAIL SAFETY TESTS

**OTTAWA** - Health Canada is warning consumers not to use *Turbojet* windproof lighters. Tests have shown that the lighters do not meet safety regulations as they can have sudden increases in flame height, may leak fuel, and may continue to burn for more than 4 seconds after the gas lever is released. There have been no reports of injuries.

The lighters were sold across Canada, and may still be offered for sale in some stores displayed on plastic trays marked *Turbojet Flameless Lighters Briquets sans flammes*. The lighters are refillable and come in metal casings of various plain or silver colours with an embossed design of a flying eagle or eagle head or a dragon on the body of the lighter. The lighters are marked "MADE IN CHINA".

Health Canada advises consumers to stop using these lighters immediately and dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

Parents are reminded to keep lighters and matches out of sight and reach of children. Consumers may contact the nearest Health Protection Branch regional office if they have any questions concerning this matter.

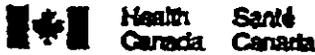
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# Warning

1997-08  
February 13, 1997

## W/PUSHLITE CHILD RESISTANT DISPOSABLE LIGHTERS FAIL SAFETY TESTS

OTTAWA - Health Canada is warning consumers not to use *W/PUSHLITE* child resistant lighters. A number of the tested lighters exhibited major defects such as: leakage of fuel, continuous burning after release of the fuel valve, and malfunction of the child-resistant mechanism. There have been no reports of injuries.

A total of 1,600,000 lighters were imported in the fall of 1996 and sold across Canada. They were available in plastic trays of 50, in various colours labelled with the following importer information: FENG HUA HOLDING INC. SCARBOROUGH ONT M1H 3G3. These lighters are made in China with a W stamped on one side. In some cases there is also PUSHLITE stamped on the other side.

Health Canada advises consumers to stop using these lighters immediately and dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

Parents are reminded to keep lighters and matches out of sight and reach of children. Consumers may contact the nearest Health Protection Branch regional office if they have any questions concerning this matter.

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May 2, 1997

**WINDPROOF REFILLABLE LIGHTERS IMPORTED  
BY Y&U INTERNATIONAL INC. FAIL SAFETY TESTS**

**OTTAWA** - The Health Protection Branch (HPB) of Health Canada is warning consumers not to use windproof refillable cigarette lighters recently imported by Y&U International of Toronto/Scarborough, Ontario.

These lighters can be identified as follows:

- Pen-shaped lighter; stamped J.G. Scavenger (display box marked J.G.)
- Copper-coloured, rectangular lighter; stamped FRUPI (display box marked Curiosity Menghu)
- Cylindrical-shaped key fob lighter; stamped ZPC Tiger Brand
- Gold-coloured lighter, shaped like 3 cylinders with a silver-coloured eagle crest applique; GLP stamped on bottom
- Silver-coloured parrot-shaped novelty lighter
- Copper-coloured crocodile-shaped novelty lighter
- Plastic novelty lighter with granite-like appearance
- Gold-coloured rectangular flip top lighter with black plastic inlay
- Silver-coloured rectangular flip top lighter with detailed scroll work
- Simulated leather, reddish brown-coloured flip top rectangular lighter with silver-coloured dragon emblem applique; stamped American Light

The majority of these products have been distributed by Rob Guy Marketing of New Westminster, B.C.

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Health Canada testing concluded that these lighters do not meet safety regulations. They have excessive flame heights, spurt droplets of fuel from the burner when used and continue to burn for longer than 10 seconds after the lever is released, which is five times the regulated limit of two seconds. These lighters can also give minor electric shocks when used, release fuel when they are dropped and burst into flames.

Health Protection Branch advises Canadians to stop further use of these windproof refillable lighters and to dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

The importer of this product, Y&U International Inc. is cooperating with Health Canada and has voluntarily initiated a recall across Canada. Health Protection Branch is monitoring the effectiveness of the recall.

Consumers can contact the nearest regional Health Protection Branch of Health Canada if they have any questions concerning this matter.

Vancouver	(604) 666-5003	Hamilton	(905) 572-2845
Edmonton	(403) 495-2480	Montreal	(514) 646-1353
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# News from CPSC

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

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## CPSC, Importers Announce Recall of Cigarette Lighters

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), five importers are recalling about 845,000 novelty and disposable cigarette lighters. The lighters either do not have child-resistant mechanisms to prevent young children from igniting the lighters or they have defective child-resistant mechanisms in violation of the Consumer Product Safety Act.

CPSC is not aware of any injuries or incidents involving these lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

### Disposable Lighters Recalled

DB Marketing Group Inc. of El Monte, Calif., is recalling about 790,000 disposable cigarette lighters. The lighters are marked "EASYLIGHT...CHINA" and have a transparent fuel container in a variety of colors.

Small retail stores in the Los Angeles area sold the DB Marketing Group lighters from September 1996 through March 1997 for about 25 to 35 cents.

Tabco International Inc. of Chicago, Ill., is recalling about 12,000 disposable cigarette lighters. The lighters are marked "China" and have labels resembling a \$100 bill and beer vendor designs, or are without labels and have a transparent fuel container in a variety of colors.

Neighborhood discount stores, gas stations and flea markets in California, Florida, Iowa, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia and Wisconsin sold the Tabco International lighters from February 1996 through June 1996 for about \$1.

### Novelty Lighters Recalled

Kassir Co. of Los Angeles, Calif., is recalling about 27,000 refillable novelty cigarette

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lighters. The metal lighters are silver, copper or gold. Most styles resemble revolvers, antique pistols, motorcycles and dragons. Other styles have relief figures of a horse and rider, and the word "Marlboro" on the casing.

Small retail stores in California, Washington, Nevada, Florida, Georgia, Texas, Arizona, and Montana sold the Kassir lighters from September 1994 through December 1996 for about \$5 to \$7.

Hangmei International Corp. of City of Industry, Calif., is recalling about 14,000 refillable novelty cigarette lighters. Styles include a pearl-handled antique brass derringer pistol, black handled snub-nosed pistol, antique brass figures of a seahorse and dragon, and a yellow soccer ball on a soccer boot.

Small retail stores in southern California sold the Hangmei lighters from June 1996 through January 1997 for about \$5 to \$10.

Chicago Import Co. of Chicago, Ill., is recalling about 2,000 refillable novelty cigarette lighters. Styles include a snub-nosed revolver with a gunmetal-blue frame marked "T-J-C," snub-nosed revolver with copper frame marked "88", snub-nosed revolver with copper frame and no markings, and snub-nosed automatic pistol with a copper frame marked with a crescent moon and star and "HEOLLO-888."

Neighborhood discount stores, gas stations and restaurants sold the Chicago Import Co. lighters nationwide from August 1996 through February 1997 for about \$1.

**Consumers should stop using the recalled novelty and disposable cigarette lighters immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a full refund. For more information about this recall, consumers should call the lighter importers at the numbers listed below or call CPSC's toll-free hotline at 800-638-2772.**

- DB Marketing Group Inc. at (818) 279-1080 (All lighters were sold in Los Angeles.)
- Tabco International Inc. at (800) 544-7882
- Kassir Co. at (888) 995-9935
- Hangmei International Corp. at (888) 898-3111
- Chicago Import Co. at (800) 656-0000

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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## Letter to Importers of Lighters Without a Compliance History in Canada or With a Bad or Mixed Compliance History

1997-08-07

Lighters for cigarettes, cigars and pipes that are sold, advertised and imported into Canada must meet the requirements for child-resistance, labelling and safe performance set out in the *Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations*. Section 4 (2) of the *Hazardous Products Act* the advertising, sale or importation of lighters that fail to meet the requirements of the Regulations. Every importer of lighters, therefore, bears the responsibility for ensuring that their lighters comply with the Regulations.

The Product Safety Bureau, therefore, advises that, as of October 1, 1997, lighters without a compliance history in Canada or with a bad or mixed compliance history will be held on entry to Canada until their compliance with the *Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations* can be established. Where importers provide the Product Safety Bureau with records that establish compliance with the performance standards and, where applicable, the child resistance standards, the lighters will be immediately released to the importer. Where records verifying compliance are not produced by the importer,

- a) "Made in China" lighters will be refused admission to Canada; and
- b) lighters without a compliance history or with a mixed compliance history will not be released to the importer until after they have been sampled and tested for compliance by the Environmental Health Directorate's Product Safety Laboratory, as time and resources permit.

"Made in China" lighters will be refused entry because, during the past two years, 100% of samples of marketed lighters manufactured in China have failed to meet the prescribed performance tests when tested by the Product Safety Laboratory. Therefore, importers of "Made in China" lighters should be prepared to provide proof of compliance with the *Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations*. The following is a list of the brand names of made in China lighters which failed the prescribed tests to date:

A/M (American Match), City Lites, Classic Gold, CLI-CLA, Comet, EVERGLIDE, Fupi, GQ, Janmor, Liberty Lites, LITZ, PUSH-LITE, Turbojet, ZPC Tigerbrand.

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For additional information about compliance with the *Regulations*, please contact a Product Safety Officer at the nearest Health Canada office:

Burnaby, BC (604) 666-5003	Hamilton, ON (905) 572-2845
Edmonton, AB (403) 495-2626	Longueuil, QC 1 800 561-3350
Calgary, AB (403) 292-4677	Sillery, QC (418) 648-4327
Saskatoon, Sask. (306) 975-4028	Moncton, NB (506) 851-6638
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# News from CPSC

## U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

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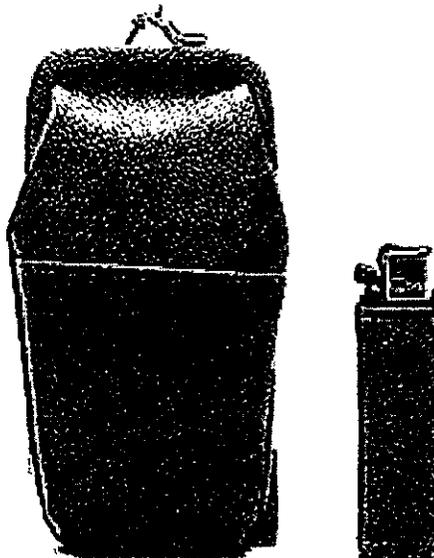
### CPSC, Walgreen Co. Announce Recall of "Smoke Tote" Cigarette Lighters

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Walgreen Co. of Deerfield, Ill., is recalling about 53,000 disposable cigarette lighters sold as part of the Smoke Tote set. These lighters' child-resistant mechanisms could fail to reset themselves, potentially allowing young children to ignite the lighters.

Each year, an estimated 190 deaths are caused by children under 5 years old playing with lighters. CPSC estimates that child-resistant mechanisms on lighters will prevent more than 100 deaths each year.

CPSC and Walgreen are not aware of any injuries involving these lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injuries.

The lighters are sold inside a vinyl pouch, along with a matching cigarette case, in a blister pack. The lighters are tinted either red, yellow, blue, white, black or green. The cigarette cases and lighter pouches are either beige, black, red, navy or white. The blister pack is labeled in part, "PERFECTION Smoke Tote...FREE Child Proof Lighter & Fashion Case."



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Walgreen drug stores nationwide sold the lighters within the Smoke Tote set from August 1996 through August 1997 for about \$3.

Consumers should stop using the lighters immediately and return them to the Walgreen store where it was purchased for a full refund. For more information, contact Walgreen Co. toll free at (888) 899-0538. Consumers will hear a recording asking them to leave their name and number, and a Walgreen representative will return their call.

CPSC discovered this defective product as part of ongoing import surveillance in conjunction with the U.S. Customs Service. In addition, the Customs Service prevented the import of about 600,000 of these defective lighters into the U.S.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov). To establish a link from your web site to this press release on CPSC's web site, create a link to the following address: [www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prrel/prhtml97/97192.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prrel/prhtml97/97192.html).

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**Editor's Note:** To access a full-color version of the product photo in JPEG (JPG) format, go to this press release on CPSC's web site at: [www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prrel/prhtml97192.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prrel/prhtml97192.html). To download, place the cursor on the image, click and hold the mouse button (right mouse button for PC users), and use the "save as" menu to save the image in the desired location.

# News from CPSC

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

Washington, D.C. 20207

**For Immediate Release**  
**November 26, 1997**  
**Release # 98-034**

**Contact: Dennis Kacoyanis**  
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## **Yongxin International Inc. to Pay \$50,000 Civil Penalty**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) announced today that Yongxin International Inc. of City of Industry, Calif., has agreed to pay a \$50,000 civil penalty to settle allegations that it violated the Consumer Product Safety Act.

Cigarette lighters the company imported did not have child-resistant mechanisms. Each year an average 190 fatalities are caused by children under 5 years old playing with cigarette lighters.

CPSC alleges that Yongxin imported 141,300 novelty and disposable cigarette lighters into the U.S. that did not comply with the Commission's Safety Standard For Cigarette Lighters.

CPSC discovered these lighters as part of ongoing import surveillance in conjunction with the U.S. Customs Service. This intervention prevented the lighters' sale in the U.S.

In agreeing to settle this matter and to pay a civil penalty, Yongxin denied that it knowingly violated the law.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov). To establish a link from your web site to this press release on CPSC's web site, create a link to the following address: [www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prere1/prhtml98/98034.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prere1/prhtml98/98034.html).

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Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1997 and extending through December 31, 1997.

Effective on November 12, 1997, you are directed to establish a limit for textile products in Category 603 at a level of 550,000 kilograms<sup>1</sup> for the period October 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997, pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and a Memorandum of Understanding dated October 28, 1997 between the Governments of the United States and Thailand.

Textile products in Category 603 which have been exported to the United States prior to October 1, 1997 shall not be subject to this directive.

Textile products in Category 603 which have been released from the custody of the U.S. Customs Service under the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 1448(b) or 1484(a)(1) prior to the effective date of this directive shall not be denied entry under this directive.

Import charges for Category 603 will be provided as data become available.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 98-C0001]

### In the Matter of Yongxin International, Inc., a Corporation; Provisional Acceptance of a Settlement Agreement and Order

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Provisional acceptance of a settlement agreement under the Consumer Product Safety Act.

**SUMMARY:** It is the policy of the Commission to publish settlements which it provisionally accepts under the Consumer Product Safety Act in the Federal Register in accordance with the terms of 16 CFR § 1118.20(e)-(h). Published below is a provisionally-accepted Settlement Agreement with Yongxin International, Inc., a corporation, "containing a civil penalty of \$50,000."

**DATES:** Any interested person may ask the Commission not to accept this agreement or otherwise comment on its contents by filing a written request with the Office of the Secretary by November 22, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Persons wishing to comment on this Settlement Agreement should send written comments to the Comment 98-C0001, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington D.C. 20207.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dennis C. Kacoyanis, Trial Attorney, Office of Compliance and Enforcement, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207; telephone (301) 504-0626.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The text of the Agreement and Order appears below.

Dated: November 4, 1997.

Sadye E. Dunn,  
Secretary.

### United States of America Consumer Product Safety Commission

[CPSC Docket No. 98-C0001]

### In the Matter of Yongxin International, Inc., a Corporation

#### Settlement Agreement and Order

1. Yongxin International, Inc. (hereinafter, "Yongxin" or "Respondent"), a corporation, enters into this Settlement Agreement (hereinafter, "Agreement"), and agrees to the entry of the Order incorporated herein. The purpose of this Agreement and Order is to settle the staff's allegations that Yongxin knowingly imported into the United States for sale and distribution in United States commerce cigarette lighters that are subject to and failed to comply with the Safety Standard For Cigarette Lighters (hereinafter, "Standard"), 16 C.F.R. part 1210, in violation of section 19(a)(1) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. § 2068(a)(1).

#### I. The Parties

2. The "staff" is the staff of the Consumer Product Safety Commission (hereinafter, "Commission" or "CPSC"), an independent regulatory commission of the United States established pursuant to section 4 of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2053.

3. Since 1992, Yongxin has been a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California. Its principal corporate offices are located at 17870 Castleton Street, Suite 260, City of Industry, CA 91748. Yongxin is an importer, broker, and distributor of various consumer items including cigarette lighters.

#### II. Allegations of the Staff

4. On three occasions between October 21, 1994, and June 18, 1996, Yongxin knowingly imported into the United States for sale and distribution in United States commerce 83 kinds of disposable and novelty cigarette lighters (141,300 units). These cigarette lighters are identified and described as follows:

Collection date* entry date	Sample No.	Type of lighter, model No.	Number of lighters
10/21/94 .....	T-867-8061 .....	Disposable, No. 1 .....	11,000
10/21/94 .....	T-867-8062 .....	Novelty, No. 5 .....	2,400
10/21/94 .....	T-867-8063 .....	Disposable, No. 8 .....	2,400
10/21/94 .....	T-867-8064 .....	Novelty, No. 9 .....	1,000

\* The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after September 30, 1997.

Collection date* entry date	Sample No.	Type of lighter, model No.	Number of lighters
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6186 .....	Disposable .....	50
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6187 .....	Novelty .....	50
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6188 .....	Novelty .....	50
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6189 .....	Disposable .....	200
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6190 .....	Disposable .....	60
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6191 .....	Disposable .....	100
06/18/96 .....	96-860-6192 .....	Disposable .....	255

5. The cigarette lighters identified as disposable cigarette lighters in paragraph 4 above are subject to the Commission's Safety Standard For Cigarette Lighters at 16 CFR Part 1210, issued under section 9 of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2058 because they are fueled by butane, isobutane, propane, or other liquified hydrocarbon, or a mixture containing any of these, whose vapor pressure at 75°F (24°C) exceeds a gage pressure of 15 psi (103kPA), and they have a customs valuation or ex-factory price under \$2.00, as adjusted every 5 years, to the nearest \$0.25, in accordance with the percentage changes in the monthly Wholesale Price Index from June 1993.

6. The cigarette lighters identified as novelty cigarette lighters in paragraph 4 above are subject to the Commission's Safety Standard For Cigarette Lighters at 16 CFR Part 1210, issued under section 9 of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2058 because they have entertaining audio or visual effects, or they depict (logos, decals, art work, etc.) or resemble in physical form or function articles commonly recognized as appealing to or intended for use by children under 5 years of age.

7. The cigarette lighters identified in paragraph 4 above failed to comply with the child resistant requirements of the Standard at 16 CFR § 1210.3 because they lacked a child resistant mechanism.

8. The cigarette lighters identified in paragraph 4 above were not labeled in accordance with the labeling requirements of the Standard at 16 CFR § 1210.12(c).

9. The cigarette lighters identified in paragraph 4 above were not accompanied by a certificate of compliance as required by the Standard at 16 CFR § 1210.12(b).

10. The Respondent failed to submit to the Office of Compliance, Division of Regulatory Management written reports at least 30 days prior to the importation of the cigarette lighters identified in paragraph 4 above as required by the Standard at 16 CFR § 1210.17(b).

11. The Respondent knowingly committed the acts set forth in paragraphs 4 through 10 above, in

violation of section 19(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2068(a)(1), for which a civil penalty may be imposed pursuant to section 20(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069(a)(1).

### III. Response of Respondent

12. Respondent denies the allegations of the staff set forth in paragraphs 4 through 11 above that it knowingly imported into the United States for sale and distribution in United States commerce disposable and novelty cigarette lighters that are subject to and failed to comply with the requirements of the Commission's Safety Standard For Cigarette Lighters, 16 CFR Part 1210, in violation of section 19(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2068(a)(1), for which a civil penalty may be imposed pursuant to section 20(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069(a)(1).

### IV. Agreement of the Parties

13. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2051 et seq.

14. Upon final acceptance by the Commission of this Settlement Agreement and Order, the Commission shall issue the attached Order incorporated herein by reference.

15. The Commission does not make any determination that the Respondent knowingly violated the CPSA. This Agreement is entered into for the purposes of settlement only.

16. Upon final acceptance of this Settlement Agreement by the Commission and issuance of the Final Order, the Respondent knowingly, voluntarily, and completely waives any rights it may have in this matter (1) to an administrative or judicial hearing, (2) to judicial review or other challenge or contest of the validity of the Commission's actions, (3) to a determination by the Commission as to whether the Respondent failed to comply with the CPSA as aforesaid, (4) to a statement of findings of facts and conclusions of law, and (5) to any claims under the Equal Access to Justice Act.

17. For purposes of section 6(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2055(b), this matter

shall be treated as if a complaint had issued; and the Commission may publicize the terms of this Settlement Agreement and Order.

18. Upon provisional acceptance of this Settlement Agreement and Order by the Commission, this Settlement Agreement and Order shall be placed on the public record and shall be published in the Federal Register in accordance with the procedures set forth in 16 C.F.R. §§ 1118.20(e)-(h). If the Commission does not receive any written request not to accept the Settlement Agreement and Order within 15 days, the Settlement Agreement and Order will be deemed finally accepted on the 16th day after the date it is published in the Federal Register.

19. The parties further agree that the Commission shall issue the attached Order; and that a violation of the order shall subject the Respondent to appropriate legal action.

20. Agreements, understandings, representations, or interpretations made outside of this Settlement Agreement and Order may not be used to vary or to contradict its terms.

21. The provisions of the Settlement Agreement and Order shall apply to Respondent and each of its successors and assigns.

Dated: September 16, 1997.  
Respondent Yongxin International, Inc.

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Dated: September 22, 1997.

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### Order

Upon consideration of the Settlement Agreement entered into between Respondent Yongxin International, Inc.,

# News from CPSC

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Washington, D.C. 20207

Office of Information and Public Affairs

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## CPSC, ERA Intermarketing Co. Inc. Announce Recall of Disposable Lighters

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), ERA Intermarketing Co. Inc. of City of Industry, Calif., is recalling about 840,000 Elite-2 disposable cigarette lighters. The lighters do not meet the 1994 requirement for child-resistant mechanisms in violation of the Consumer Product Safety Act. This act requires a mechanism on disposable and novelty lighters shown to prevent ignition of the lighters by most children under 5 years old. Each year, CPSC estimates 190 deaths are caused by children under 5 years old playing with lighters.

CPSC and ERA Intermarketing are not aware of any injuries involving these cigarette lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

The Elite-2 lighters are made of clear plastic tinted in assorted colors. The metal top is labeled "ELITE," and the lighter label bears the bar code: "16229 12001" and the date code, "3/97."



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Small retailers sold the Elite-2 cigarette lighters nationwide from June 1997 to March 1998 for about \$1.

Consumers should stop using these lighters immediately and return them to ERA Intermarketing for a full refund, including postage, at:

Product Recall

ERA Intermarketing Co., Inc.

200 S. 5th Avenue

City of Industry, CA 91746

For more information about this recall, consumers should call ERA Intermarketing Co. Inc. toll-free at (888) 682-2388 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PDT Monday through Friday.

CPSC discovered this defective product as part of ongoing import surveillance in conjunction with the U.S. Customs Service.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at <gopher.cpsc.gov>. Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov). To establish a link from your web site to this press release on CPSC's web site, create a link to the following address: [www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml98/98094.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml98/98094.html).

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Editor's Note: To access a full-color version of the product photo in JPEG (JPG) format, go to this press release on CPSC's web site at:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml98/98094.html>

To download, place the cursor on the image, click and hold the mouse button (right mouse button for PC users), and use the "save as" menu to save the image in the desired location.

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# Warning

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## **PURLITE DISPOSABLE CIGARETTE LIGHTERS FAIL SAFETY TESTS**

**OTTAWA** - Health Canada is warning consumers not to use *Purilite* brand disposable cigarette lighters. Tests have shown that the lighters do not meet safety regulations as they can leak fuel after impact or exposure to elevated temperatures. There have been no reports of injuries in Canada.

The importer is recalling the lighter. Health Canada is monitoring the recall. The lighters were sold across Canada, and may still be offered for sale in some stores. The brand name, *Purilite*, is imprinted on the metal flame shield. The label is marked "MADE IN CHINA" along with the importer's name: "DANIALS WHOLESALE INC., MISSISSAUGA, ONT."

Health Canada advises consumers to stop using these lighters immediately and dispose of them in accordance with local laws.

Parents are reminded to keep lighters and matches out of sight and reach of children. Consumers may contact the nearest Health Protection Branch regional office if they have any questions concerning this matter.

Vancouver	(604) 666-5003	Hamilton	(905) 572-2845
Edmonton	(403) 495-2626	Montreal	(514) 646-1353
Calgary	(403) 292-4677	Quebec	(418) 648-4327
Moncton	(506) 851-6638	Saskatoon	(306) 975-4028
Winnipeg	(204) 983-2846	Dartmouth	(902) 426-8300
Toronto	(416) 973-4705	St. John's	(709) 772-4050

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### CPSC, American Hua Mao Enterprises Announce Recall of Cigarette Lighters

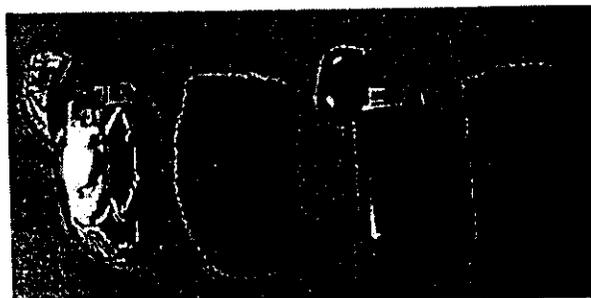
WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), American Hua Mao Enterprises, of New York, N.Y., is recalling about 139,000 cigarette lighters. These cigarette lighters, which operate with push-button electronic ignition mechanisms to produce the flame, have child-resistant mechanisms that do not work. Young children could ignite the lighters.

CPSC and American Hua Mao Enterprises are not aware of any injuries involving these lighters. This recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injuries.

These lighters are refillable, gas fueled piezoelectric catalytic lighter and are equipped with a non-functioning child resistant feature, a lever that slides horizontally under the ignition mechanism. Once the lever under the ignition switch is moved over to allow ignition, it stays in that position until manually reset. The lighters are advertised as Windproof #L2 and #L3 models. The #L2 are two-colored, ceramic-coated metal, oval-shaped lighters with round edges. The #L3 are copper-colored and have a horse molded on the body of the lighter. Both models were sold in black leather-like cases with the model number imprinted on it. They have a stick-on-label reading "MADE IN CHINA."

Small retail stores and souvenir shops in New York and Maryland sold these lighters from March 1997 through November 1998 for about \$4 to \$6.

Consumers should immediately stop using these cigarette lighters and return them to the store where they were purchased for a refund. For more information, call American Hua Mao Enterprises at (212) 244-1692 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST Monday through Friday. Consumers outside the New York City area can call collect.



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information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information or report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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