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Dear Customer:

On March 12, 2009, Walter Kidde Portable Equipment Inc. ("Kidde") announced a voluntary recall to replace certain Kidde XL Fire Extinguisher units in conjunction with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). A copy of the joint Press Release issued by Kidde and the CPSC is enclosed. A list of the XL models by SKU is also enclosed.

This replacement program was initiated because the affected Kidde XL Fire Extinguishers may lose pressure faster than other XL production sets because of the use of an off-specification lubricant. The premature loss of pressure may result in the failure of the extinguisher to discharge when activated. To alert you to this potential condition, the XL Fire Extinguisher incorporates a pressure gauge which monitors the pressure status of the extinguisher. The gauge continues to function as normal in affected units, and will point to the red zone if there is a pressure loss.

This replacement action only involves Kidde XL Fire Extinguishers manufactured in Mexico with model numbers: FX340SC, FX340H, FX340GW, XL5MR, FX210R, FX340SC-2, FX210W, XL2.5TCZ-4, XL2.5TCZ-3, XL5TCZ-1, and E-340-3 with manufacture dates between October 2007 and April 2008. Potentially affected units can be identified by checking the label on the front of the extinguisher to identify the country of manufacture (Mexico) and model number, and by checking the bottom of the extinguisher to identify year of manufacture. If an extinguisher is one of the listed model numbers and is marked with the year 07 or 08, contact Kidde to determine if it is a recalled extinguisher.

In the event that you receive consumer inquiries regarding this replacement program, please direct them to contact Kidde at 1-888-345-4407 or www.Kidde.com to determine whether their extinguisher is included in this program.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and sincerely thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Christopher Rovenstine
Director, Marketing

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URGENT – Product Recall
Kidde XL Fire Extinguisher
American Hotel Register Company Item Numbers: X2Q21006401 & X2Q21006204
Kidde Item Numbers: XL2.5TCZ-4 & FX340SC

Dear Valued Customer:

American Hotel Register Company has been notified of a voluntary product recall by Walter Kidde Portable Equipment, Inc., manufacturer of Kidde fire extinguishers. Certain Kidde XL Fire Extinguishers may lose pressure and fail to operate. According to our records, you may have been shipped one of the recalled products.

In the event of a fire, this failure could put life and property at risk. No injuries have been reported due to the affected fire extinguishers.

Approximately 167,000 of the units in question were manufactured in Mexico between October 2007 and April 2008.



“Kidde” and the model number can be found on the label on the front of the extinguisher. The year of manufacture is on the bottom of the extinguisher. If your extinguisher is one of the listed model numbers and is marked with the year 07 or 08, contact Kidde to determine if you have a recalled extinguisher.

To register for this recall and to receive a free replacement extinguisher, please contact Kidde directly at 1-888-345-4407 or www.Kidde.com. You can also contact the Consumer Product Safety Commission’s recall hotline at 1-800-638-2772.

We apologize for your inconvenience and appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Yours truly,

American Hotel Register Company