Recall Date: March 10, 2015 Recall Number: 15-092

efco Expands Recall of Gas Trimmers Due to Fire Hazard

http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2015/efco-Recalls-Gas-Trimmers

Recall Summary

Name of Product: efco Gas Trimmers

Hazard: The muffler on the engine can break during use and pose a fire hazard.

Remedy: Replace

Consumer Contact: Comet USA at (800) 800-4420 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday or visit www.efcopower.com and click on Recall Information at the bottom of the home page.

Recall Details

Units: About 1,900 in the United States and 200 in Canada. This product was <u>previously</u> recalled in December 2013.

Description: The trimmers are used in residential and professional applications for cutting grass and light brush. The cutting attachments include a trimmer head and metal blade. The trimmers are about 72 inches long and up to 28 inches wide. They are red and gray with either a bike or loop handle configuration. Three models are recalled in two engine sizes measured in cubic centimeters. They are 36cc models 8371 S and 8371 T, and a 40.2cc model 8421 T engine displacement. The brand "efco" and model number are printed on the front of the engine and the brand name also appears on the wand.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm has received 11 reports of muffler failure, including two resulting in singed hair.

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled trimmers immediately and return them to an authorized efco dealer for a free replacement.

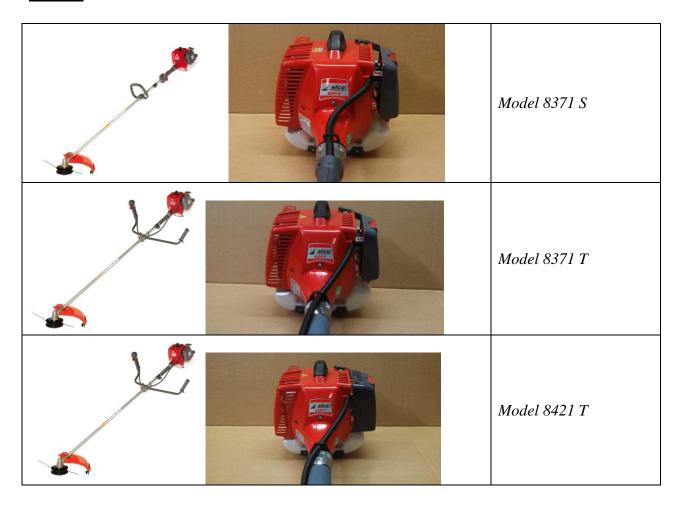
Sold at: Authorized efco dealers and Menard retail stores nationwide and online from June 2009 to July 2014 for about \$400.

Importer: Comet USA, Inc., of Burnsville, Minn.

Manufactured in: China

Note: Health Canada's press release is available at http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/recall-alert-rappel-avis/hc-sc/2015/52467r-eng.php

Photos



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CPSC Consumer Information Hotline

Contact us at this toll-free number if you have questions about a recall:

800-638-2772 (TTY 301-595-7054)

Times: 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. ET; Messages can be left anytime

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