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The Toro Company Recalls Electric Blowers Due to Projectile Hazards

Note: The original [Recall](#) notification is published on August 2007. This notification is posted as the company received additional reports.

Toronto, ON – The Electrical Safety Authority is notifying the public that The Toro Company has re-announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately.

Name of Product: Toro Power Sweep Electric Blowers.

Units: About 5000 in Canada

Manufacturer/Importer: The Toro Company, of Bloomington, Minn.

Hazard: The blower's impeller, which is a rotating component on the blower, can break, resulting in pieces of plastic flying out of the blower. This poses a risk of serious injury to the user or a bystander.

Incidents/Injuries: Toro has received one report of minor injury in Canada. In total Toro has received 171 reports of broken impellers, including 32 reports of minor cuts and bruises resulting from projected impeller pieces.

Description/Models: The recall involves Toro Power Sweep electric blower model 51586 that was manufactured between 2000 and 2002. The electric blowers have serial numbers that range from 000055100-000058581, 200000001-200365313, 210000001-210284435 and 220000001-220255609. There are two

decals on the main housing of the blower. One decal reads, "TORO Power Sweep" and the decal on the opposite side of the blower contains the model number and serial number. The recalled units can be identified by a black impeller fan, which can be seen through the air inlet screen on the bottom of the unit.

Sold by: Toro dealers and various mass retailers nationwide including The Home Depot, Lowes, Target and K-Mart stores from January 2000 through late December 2002 for about \$32.

Manufactured in: United States

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled blowers immediately and contact Toro to receive a replacement blower.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact Toro at (888) 279-3191 between 7:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. CT Monday through Friday. Consumers can also visit the Toro web site at: www.toro.com. The Toro Company has notified registered owners directly. ©

