

UL WARNS CONSUMERS ABOUT POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS COFFEEMAKERS

NORTHBROOK, IL, Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) is notifying consumers that certain models of Philips brand drip style countertop coffeemakers may present a fire hazard. These coffeemakers do not comply with UL's safety requirements and are not authorized to bear the UL Mark. These coffeemakers are manufactured by Ever Splendor Enterprise Co., Ltd, Tainan, Taiwan for Philips Electronics Ltd., Scarborough Canada. Sold in Canada by various retailers including Costco, Zellers, Sears Canada, Centre due Rasoir, Truserv Canada, Marchands Unis, London Drugs, Hudsons Bay Company and Canadian Tire, these coffeemakers can be identified by model numbers HD5260, HD5270, HL5286 and HL5330. The company name " Philips" appears on the products and their packaging.

There have been several reports in Canada of fire associated with these model coffeemakers. UL's evaluation of samples of these products indicates that the model HD5260 and HD5270 coffeemakers tested do not incorporate a required safety component and that the plastic enclosure of the HL5286 and HL5330 model coffeemakers fails to meet UL's flammability requirements.

Despite the appearance of the c-UL Mark on the product and its packaging, these models are not UL Listed. UL encourages consumers to immediately discontinue use of these coffeemakers and return them to Philips Electronics Ltd.

To view a picture of the coffeemakers, please visit UL's web site at www.ul.com/about/newsrel/nr122200.html. For further information, consumers should contact Philips Electronics Ltd., at (416) 292-5161.

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HL5286



HD5260