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## **CSA International and Ideal Industries (Canada), Inc. Announce Voluntary Recall of Electrical Testers**

**Toronto, ON** – CSA International, in co-operation with IDEAL INDUSTRIES (CANADA), INC. of Ajax, Ontario, has announced a voluntary recall of approximately 122,000 voltage and voltage/continuity testers manufactured by IDEAL in Canada and the U.S. The testers, which measure volts alternating current (VAC) and volts direct current (VDC), may pose a potential for a burn injury to the user.

IDEAL has received reports of the solenoid coil shorting out at higher voltages without warning and blowing the faceplate off the unit. There have been two reports of users suffering burns when these units have failed.

13,000 affected testers were manufactured in Canada and 109,000 were manufactured in the U.S. The tester body is yellow and the wire leads have one black and one red test probe.

These products have been sold through electrical distributors, industrial distributors and home centers between December 1999 and July 2003.

**Consumers should stop using the recalled testers immediately** and contact IDEAL to receive a replacement tester.

### **AFFECTED TESTER MODEL NUMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

<b>Voltage Tester</b>	<b>Voltage/Continuity Tester</b>
61-065	61-076
61-066	61-079
61-067	61-080

### **DATE CODES**

Any product bearing the date codes referenced below should be withdrawn from use and returned to IDEAL for replacement.

### **Canadian Manufactured Units**

The date code for product made in Canada can be found on the end of the tester where the lead-set attaches to the tester.

# RECALL NOTICE

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Recalled units made in Ajax, Ontario, Canada were manufactured between mid November 1999 and mid May 2002 and have date codes between the 47th week of 1999 (479I) through the 19th week of 2002 (192I).

The date code format for these units is wwyl – where ww = week of year, y= last digit of year, and I = IDEAL Canada.

A second date code format for recalled units manufactured in Canada between March 2002 (01032) and May 2002 (09052) is ddmyy – where dd is day, mm is month, and y is the last digit of the year.

## American Manufactured Units

The date code for product manufactured in Sycamore can be found on the window of the product between the words “BLK” and “RED”.

Recalled units manufactured in Sycamore, Illinois, U.S. were manufactured between mid November 1999 and mid May 2002 and have date codes between the 47th week of 1999 (4799S) through the 19th week of 2002 (1902S).

The date code format for these units is wwyyS – where ww = week of year, yy= last two digits of year, and S = Sycamore.

For more information, consumers can contact IDEAL toll-free at 1- 877-557-8598 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday. Consumers can also access IDEAL’s web site for more information at [www.idealindustries.com](http://www.idealindustries.com).

