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CPSC, Technical Consumer Products Inc. Announce Recall of Fluorescent Light Bulbs

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the manufacturers named below, today announced voluntary recalls of the following consumer products. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of product: 3-way compact fluorescent light bulbs

Units: About 158,000

Manufacturer/Distributor: Technical Consumer Products Inc., of Aurora, Ohio

Hazard: The bulbs can overheat and spark, posing a burn hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Technical Consumer Products has received 16 reports of overheating bulbs. No injuries have been reported.

Description: The recalled 32-watt, 3-way (40-75-150 watt output) compact fluorescent bulbs were sold under the brand names Commercial Electric (Home Depot) and DuraBright (Orchard Supply Hardware). The bulbs are about seven inches high and have a white, spiral fluorescent tube attached to a white plastic base. The following item numbers, which can be found on the back of the packaging and the base of the bulb, are included in the recall: 283-924, 575-717, and 69032.

Sold at: Home Depot and Orchard Supply Hardware nationwide from April 2004 through November 2004 for about \$10 (single pack) or \$19 (double pack).

Manufactured in: China

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Remedy: Consumers should stop using the bulbs immediately and contact Technical Consumer Products for a free replacement or gift card.

Consumer Contact: Call Technical Consumer Products at (800) 397-2647 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.

