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CPSC, VSM Sewing Inc. Announce Recall of Sewing Machines

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

Name of Product: Husqvarna Viking Designer I Sewing and Embroidery Machines

Units: About 55,000

Manufacturer/Distributor: VSM Group AB of Husqvarna, Sweden, and its subsidiary VSM Sewing Inc. (Husqvarna Viking), of Westlake, Ohio

Hazard: Electrical arcing can occur in the machine’s power supply, posing a risk of fire.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm reports three incidents of these machines overheating and catching fire. One incident resulted in extensive smoke damage to a consumer’s home, and the other two incidents resulted in minor property damage.

Description: The Husqvarna Viking Designer I sewing and embroidering machines have white plastic exterior and contain the words “Husqvarna Viking” and “Designer I.” The recall involves units with serial number, which are located on the bottom of the machine, in the following ranges:

Beginning with	Ending with
0	0 or 6
1	9
2	3
3	1
4	2
5	0, 1, 3, 4 or 9
6	1, 3 or 4
7	1, 2 or 4
8	2 or 4
9	1 or 5

Sold at: Independent sewing machine dealers nationwide from January 1999 through December 2004 for between \$5,500 and \$6,000.

Manufactured in: Sweden

Remedy: Consumers should stop using these sewing machines, and return them to the dealer where purchased for a free repair.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact Husqvarna Viking at (800) 446-2333 between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or go to the firm’s Web site at www.husqvarnaviking.com

