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**UL Warns of Hazardous Extension Cords**

NORTHBROOK, Ill., - March 1, 2006 - Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) is notifying inspection authorities, retailers and consumers of extension cords that do not meet UL safety requirements and may pose a hazard to users. These products have not been evaluated for safety by UL and bear counterfeit UL Marks for the United States and Canada.

Name of Product: Household Extension Cord

Units: Unknown quantity

Manufacturer: The manufacturer of these products has not been identified.

Hazard: The wire in the extension cord is undersized creating a risk of fire and electric shock.

Identification:

*On the product:*

The cord is green in color with a plug on one end and a three-plug receptacle on the opposite end. The cord has a counterfeit UL holographic label attached near the plug with the description: "CORD SET," "E-218475," "BW-4126," "13A," "125 V," and 1625 W."

*On the package:*

The packaging which contains a counterfeit cUL Listing Mark is marked: "RALLONGE DOMESTIQUE HOUSEHOLD CORD," "2M 6 pi. 2M-GR."

What you should do: UL recommends that users stop using the extension cord immediately and return it to the place of purchase.

