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Black & Decker® Brand Toasters Recalled By Aplica Canada Corporation Due to Fire Hazard

TORONTO, ON. - The Ontario Electrical Safety Authority, in cooperation with Aplica Canada Corporation, is notifying the public that Aplica has announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using the affected products and unplug the unit immediately.

Name of Product: Black & Decker® brand Infracore™ Toasters.

Units in Canada: Approximately 23,000, of which approximately 4,000 have been sold to consumers.

Canadian Distributor: Aplica Canada Corporation.

Manufacturer: Elec-Tech International Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, China.

Hazard: An electrical component in the toaster can overheat and ignite the circuit board, posing a fire hazard.

Incidents/Injuries in Canada: Aplica has received four reports of the toasters overheating, including two reports of fire that caused damage to the kitchen in which the

appliance was installed. There have been no reported injuries.

Description and Model: The recalled two-slice toaster is black with stainless steel trim and has a digital display below the toaster lever. The Black & Decker® brand name is on the top of the toaster. Model number ST2000 is printed on the rating plate on the bottom of the toaster.

Sold at: Home improvement and discount department retailers nationwide, including Canadian Tire and London Drugs, from March 2007 through November 2007 for between about \$69.99 and \$79.00.

Manufactured In: China

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled toaster. Unplug it immediately, and contact Aplica to receive a refund.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Aplica at (800) 556-9439 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or log on to the firm's Web site at <http://www.acprecall.com>.



**Aplica Canada Corporation
Black & Decker® Brand Toaster
Model ST2000**