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Big Lots Recalls Portable Ceramic Space Heaters Due to Fire, Electric Shock Hazard

The Electrical Safety Authority is notifying the public that Big Lots has announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately.

Name of Product: Portable electric heaters - Climate Keeper Ceramic Heater Fan; Climate Keeper Deluxe Ceramic Heater – Oscillating

Manufacturer: Ningbo Dongji Electronic Technology Co., Ningbo, China

Manufactured in: China

Importer: Big Lots, of Columbus, Ohio

Hazard: The heaters can overheat and melt, posing a fire or electric shock hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: Big Lots has received four reports of the products overheating and melting. There are no reports of injury, fire or property damage.

Description/Models: This recall involves two models of 1500 watt Climate Keeper ceramic heaters. Both models have a fan, two dials on top, a wire mesh panel in front and the name “Climate Keeper” and a label on the bottom with the model number and ETL 3130679. Model #FH107A has grey plastic housing. Model #PTC-902T is

an oscillating heater with silver-grey plastic housing, a molded handle on top of the heater and a small extra button between the two dials which controls the oscillation.

Sold by: Big Lots stores in the United States for about \$20 for Model #FH107A and \$25 for Model #PTC-902T.

When distributed: September 2010 through March 2012.

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled products immediately and return them to a Big Lots store for a full refund.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Big Lots toll-free at (866) 244-5687 between 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm’s website at www.biglots.com.

Remarks: The affected products were intended for sale and distribution in the U.S. only. However the recalled products are certified to Canadian Standards by Intertek and labeled with Canadian certification mark. For more information about the Intertek product certification process please visit: www.intertek.com

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