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PRODUCT SAFETY ALERT REMINDER: warning from The Electrical Safety Authority about previously announced safety hazard associated with recalled Globe Mini-Spiral Compact Fluorescent 13 Watt light bulb

MISSISSAUGA, ON –The Electrical Safety Authority is reminding Ontario residents to again check to see if they have installed the previously (November 2004) recalled Globe compact fluorescent, 13 Watt mini-spiral lamps in their homes, following another two incidents.

“Mini-spiral compact fluorescent bulbs are a popular energy efficient option for homeowners and offer a life expectancy of seven years. The problem in the case of certain Globe mini-spiral compact fluorescent bulbs manufactured between January 2002 through April 2003 is that they do not meet safety standards and pose both electric shock and fire hazards. Issues with these bulbs may occur at any time from initial installation to the end of the seven-year life of the bulb. As a result, it is important for consumers to check to see if they have these bulbs and to remove them from their homes.” says Ted Olechna, Provincial Code Engineer, Electrical Safety Authority.



Consumers should check the base of any Globe Mini-Spiral 13 W bulbs they have for the following date codes:

0202	BH043	BH073	BH1103	BH1303	BH1703	BH342	BH492
0402	BH052	BH0803	BH113	BH1402	BH183	BH3502	BH5002
BH0103	BH0603	BH0903	BH1203	BH1403	BH193	BH4102	BH5102
BH0203	BH0702	BH1003	BH123	BH1503	BH2002	BH4802	BH512
BH0403	BH072	BH103	BH1302	BH1603	BH203	BH4902	BH5202

These lamps are not authorized to bear the cUL mark. Underwriters’ Laboratories (UL) has indicated these lamps were manufactured with parts that UL did not investigate. These parts can fail and melt a hole in the enclosure, posing an electrical shock and/or fire hazard.

Customers who have the recalled product should immediately stop using the bulbs and contact the manufacturer at customerservice@globe-electric.com, or by phone at 514-694-0444, ext. 151.

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