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ECHO Bear Cat Recalls Hydraulic Log Splitters Due to Impact Hazard

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. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of Product: ECHO Bear Cat log splitters

Units: About 120

Manufacturer: Crary Industries Inc. of West Fargo, N.D.

Hazard: The end cap of the log splitter's hydraulic cylinder can break away from the body of the log splitter, posing an impact hazard to the user or bystander.

Incidents/Injuries: Crary Industries has received three reports of the hydraulic cylinder end caps detaching resulting in one injury from a cylinder reportedly striking a consumer in the head.

Description: This recall involves ECHO Bear Cat brand hydraulic log splitter with model numbers LS27270 and LS27270T, with a date code of 012908 stamped on the hydraulic cylinder. The model number is printed on the main beam of the log splitters. The date code is stamped on the hydraulic cylinder near the capped end. The log splitters are black and orange with ECHO Bear Cat printed on the hydraulic cylinder.

Sold at: ECHO Bear Cat dealers nationwide from October 2007 through March 2012 for about \$2,600.

Manufactured in: USA

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the product and contact the nearest dealer for instruction on receiving a free replacement cylinder installed by an authorized dealer.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Crary Industries toll-free at (888) 625-4520 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's website at www.bearcatproducts.com.



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is still interested in receiving incident or injury reports that are either directly related to this product recall or involve a different hazard with the same product. Please tell us about your experience with the product on SaferProducts.gov.

CPSC is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of the thousands of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries, and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$900 billion annually. CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products—such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals—contributed to a decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

Under federal law, it is illegal to attempt to sell or resell this or any other recalled product.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, go online to: SaferProducts.gov, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054 for the hearing and speech impaired. Consumers can obtain this news release and product safety information at www.cpsc.gov. To join a free e-mail subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx.

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