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### Big Lots Stores Inc. Recall Tea Light Candles for Fire 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. (To access color photos of the following recalled products, see CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).)

**Name of product:** Harvest Brand Tea Light Candles

**Units:** About 233,000 sets

**Importer/Distributor:** Big Lots Stores Inc., of Columbus, Ohio

**Hazard:** The recalled candles can burn with a high flame and melt the plastic holders. This poses a fire and a burn hazard to consumers.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Big Lots and CPSC have received four reports of incidents, three involve minor property damage. No injuries have been reported.

**Description:** The recalled red tea light candles are apple scented and have the brand name "Harvest" on the front packaging. Item number A5023 is written on the bottom of the packaging. The candles were sold in sets of six candles per package. The tea light candles measure 1½-inches wide by ¾-inch high. Each of the candles comes in a plastic holder.

**Sold at:** Big Lots stores exclusively nationwide from July 2005 through October 2005 for about \$1.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumer should stop using the tea light candles immediately and return them to the nearest Big Lots store for a full refund.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact Big Lots at (800) 244-5687 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit Big Lot's Web site at [www.biglots.com](http://www.biglots.com).



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$700 billion annually. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals – contributed significantly to the 30 percent decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270 or visit CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov/talk.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/talk.html). Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).

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