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## Portable Generators Recalled by General Power Products Due to 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.

Name of Product: Portable Generators

Units: About 13,000

Importer: General Power Products LLC, of Loveland, Ohio

**Hazard:** The generator's fuel valve can be damaged by the cover plate during shipment and cause a fuel leak and fuel spillage during use, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

**Incidents/Injuries:** General Power Products has received 14 reports of damaged fuel valves. No injuries have been reported.

**Description:** This recall includes the General Power Products 6000 Watt portable generator and the Poulan Pro 6000 Watt portable generator with serial numbers 060400483 through 060600725. The serial number is stamped on the engine block which is located on the front of the engine below the generator's control panel. "General Power Products" and "6000 Generator" are printed on the side of the General Power Products generator. "Poulan Pro" and "6000 watts" are printed on the side of the Poulan Pro generator.

**Sold at:** Hardware and home improvement stores primarily located in Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Ohio and Texas from June 2008 through September 2008 for between \$600 and \$800.

Manufactured in: China

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the generators and contact General Power Products to determine if the generator's fuel valve is damaged and, if it is, to receive a free repair kit and instructions.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact General Power Products toll-free at (877) 428-3769 24 hours a day, seven days a week, or visit the firm's Web site at <a href="https://www.generalpowerproducts.com">www.generalpowerproducts.com</a>



Fuel Valve and Cover Plate

Serial Number



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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 <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>.