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Welcome to the February edition of the Alston & Bird CPSC Recall Snapshot.

This month, the CPSC, along with the EPA and CDC/ATSDR, launched a multi-agency action plan to study environmental human health questions regarding recycled tire crumb used in playing fields and playgrounds. The action plan seeks to (1) "fill important data and knowledge gaps"; (2) "characterize constituents of recycled tire crumb"; and (3) "identify ways in which people may be exposed to tire crumb based on their activities on the fields." The action plan includes numerous activities, including research studies. By late 2016, the agencies will release a draft status report that describes the findings and conclusions of the research through that point in time. The report will also outline any additional research needs and next steps.

Click here to subscribe to the Snapshot. For additional information or questions about CPSC issues, please email me at jenifer.keenan@alston.com. We also invite you to check out our Products Liability Blog, which features important updates on CPSC and products liability issues.

Sincerely,

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Voluntary Recalls Announced by the CPSC in January 2016

NUMBER OF RECALLS BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

Housewares – 8 Child/Infant – 7 Furniture – 5 Vehicle – 2 Sporting Goods – 1

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Light Fixture <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Fire/Shock Hazard	0	80
Food Storage Cube <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Injury Hazard	0	68,000 U.S. 300 Can.
Shower Rug <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Fall Hazard	30	1.4 million U.S. 70,000 Can.
Cookware <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Injury Hazard	0	41,000
LED Lamp <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Fire/Burn/ Electric Shock Hazard	0	60,000 U.S. 1,000 Can.
Ornament <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Laceration Hazard	140	25,000
Coffee Mug <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Fire Hazard	0	14,000
Griddle <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Shock Hazard	0	330,000
Children's Balance Bike Press Release	Child/Infant	Laceration Hazard	2	29,000 U.S. 268 Can.
Infant Car Seat <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	1	71,000 U.S. 3,900 Can. 990 Mex.
Stroller/Top Seat <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	5	49,000 U.S. 11,000 Can.
Infant Bodysuit <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	10,000

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Toy Drum/Drumstick Set Press Release	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	2,000
Pajamas <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Burn Hazard	0	450
Stool <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	1	6,000 U.S. 800 Can.
Bar Stool <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Fall Hazard	1	6,000 U.S. 100 Can.
Chair <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Fall Hazard	1	17,000
Chair <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Fall Hazard	0	1,880
Chair and Stand <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Fall Hazard	27	260,000 U.S. 16,000 Can.
Chair <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Fall Hazard	0	300,000
Solar Panel <u>Press Release</u>	Electronics	Fire Hazard	0	1,5000 U.S. 20 Can.
Charging Station Press Release	Electronics	Electrical Shock Hazard	1	550
Music/Lighting System Press Release	Electronics	Fire Hazard	0	2,000
Off-Road Motorcycle <u>Press Release</u>	Vehicle	Injury/Crash Hazard	1	3,700
Off-Road Motorcycle <u>Press Release</u>	Vehicle	Fire Hazard	0	1,800
Bicycle <u>Press Release</u>	Sporting Goods	Fall Hazard	0	1,000
Cordless Drill <u>Press Release</u>	Tools/Hardware	Fire/Burn Hazard	6	1.7 million

The CPSC did not announce any civil penalties in December.

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