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Recall of Universal Security Instruments Smoke Alarms

The Redding Fire Department wants to alert Redding residents of a recent recall of certain brand smoke alarms. Last week, Universal Security Instruments announced a recall of about 180,000 10-year battery-operated ionization smoke and fire alarms sold in the United States. The manufacturer received 134 reports of failure to properly activate during installation.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the Universal Security Instruments websites list model numbers of effected units and contact information. Universal Security Instruments recommends consumers test these alarms and if alarm does not sound, consumers should immediately contact Universal Security Instruments for a replacement.

More information about this recall is available at www.universalsecurity.com or the Consumer Products Safety Commission website at www.CPSC.gov.

Recall of all kinds of manufactured products happen often, including important safety devices such as smoke alarms. Regardless of the recalls of certain brands or models, smoke alarms remain the cheapest form of life insurance one can buy. It is important to test your smoke alarms once a month and change the batteries twice a year, once at every time change.

If you have additional questions about this recall or smoke alarms in general, please call the Redding Fire Department at 530-225-4141.