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Message Cover Sheet

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RE: Basketball and Flower Tables Recalled by Avon Products Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard; Sold in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands

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Please see the attached product recall issued by CPSC. The product (Basketball and Flower Tables) is imported by Sencillamaente Art Corp., of Dorado, Puerto Rico. Surface paint on the tables contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

The Basketball Table is about 16 inches tall with white legs and a 19-inch diameter top. The Flower Table is about 30 inches tall with a green petal stand and a 15-inch diameter purple and yellow top.

The tables were sold through Avon Independent Sales Representatives in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands from June 2007 through August 2007. The Basketball Table sold for about \$32 and the Flower Table sold for about \$37. They were manufactured in Peru.

Please see the recall notice for specific information for consumers and contact information for the company. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention & Control Program at 860-509-7299.

Recall Alert

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

Washington, DC 20207

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Alert #08-562

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The following product safety recall was voluntarily conducted by the firm in cooperation with the CPSC. Consumers should stop using the product immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Basketball and Flower Tables

Units: About 1,000

Distributor: Avon Products Inc., of New York, N.Y.

Importer: Sencillamaente Art Corp., of Dorado, Puerto Rico

Hazard: Surface paint on the tables contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The Basketball Table is about 16 inches tall with white legs and a 19-inch diameter top. The Flower Table is about 30 inches tall with a green petal stand and a 15-inch diameter purple and yellow top.

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Manufactured in: Peru

Remedy: Consumers should take the tables away from children immediately and contact Avon for a full refund. Known purchasers are being directly notified of this recall.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Avon toll-free at (888) 993-9903 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or visit the firm's Web site at www.avon.com

