

Friedrich Air Conditioning Co. Announce Recall to Repair Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners

A recent fire in an assisted living facility has brought concerns regarding in-wall heating units. A fire was caused by a malfunctioning Package Terminal Air Conditioning (PTAC) unit in an eastern Idaho facility. The fire caused significant damage, but no injuries. This type of heating unit is common in Long Term Care Facilities and larger Residential Assisted Living Facilities statewide.

Investigation revealed the Friedrich "P-Series" PTAC unit was subject to a July 27, 2004 recall by the Consumer Product Safety Commission due to a design defect in the rotary dial.

Facilities are encouraged to physically inspect the PTAC units installed and compare any Friedrich Package Terminal Air Conditioning unit with the serial numbers listed at the following

link: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml04/04569.html>

For more information contact Mark Grimes, Supervisor, Facility Fire Safety and Construction, (208) 334-6626 or visit the US Consumer Product Safety Commission recall

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