

Panasonic Recalls Lithium-ion Laptop Battery Packs Due to Fire Hazard

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Recall date: March 21, 2016 Recall number: 16-126

Name of product:

Lithium-ion Computer Battery Packs

Hazard:

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Remedy:

Replace

Consumer Contact:

Panasonic toll-free at 855-772-8324 anytime or visit www.panasonic.com and click on Product Recall for more information.

Report an Incident Involving this Product

In conjunction with



Units

About 387 (in addition, 110 were sold in Canada)

Description

This recall involves Panasonic six-cell lithium-ion (Li-ion) battery packs sold in Panasonic CF-S10 Series laptop computers. "Panasonic" and "CF-S10" are on the surface of the laptop on the left side below the keyboard. Battery packs with the following model numbers and production lot numbers are being recalled:

Model Numbers Lot Numbers

CF-VZSU61U

BAW, BBX, BC, C1, C2

The model number and lot number are located on the battery pack nameplate.

Incidents/Injuries

CF-VZSU61R

None reported

Remedy

Consumers should immediately stop using the laptop computer with the recalled battery, power off the device, remove the battery pack and contact Panasonic for a free replacement battery pack.

Sold at

Panasonic dealers from December 2011 through August 2013 for about \$2,000 for the laptop.

Importer(s)

Panasonic Corporation of North America, of Newark, N.J.

Manufactured in

Japan

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Federal law bars any person from selling products subject to a publicly-announced voluntary recall by a manufacturer or a mandatory recall ordered by the Commission.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury go online to www.SaferProducts.gov or call CPSC's Hotline at 800-638-2772 or teletypewriter at 301-595-7054 for the hearing impaired. Consumers can obtain news release and recall information at www.cpsc.gov, on Twitter www.cpsc.gov, on Twitter <a href="www.cpsc





Panasonic CF-S10 Series laptop computer

Panasonic lithium-ion battery pack