AFTERMARKET LORING FRONT RACK RECALL

Quality Bicycle Products Recalls Civia Bicycle Racks Due to Fall Hazard

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Attention Civia Loring bicycle Owners: this recall applies only to AFTERMARKET front racks. Neither the Civia Loring bicycle or its original equipment front rack are involved in the recall. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Name of product: Front bicycle racks

Units: About 100

Importer: Quality Bicycle Products of Bloomington, Minn.

Hazard: The bicycle rack’s mounting bracket can crack or break. When this happens, the rack can fall onto the bicycle’s front wheel, posing a fall hazard to the rider.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm has received one report of a rack mounting bracket breaking while the rider was on the bicycle, resulting in minor cuts.

Description: This recall involves Civia Loring bicycle racks. They are black aluminum with bamboo panels and mount to the bicycle’s front fork. The word “Civia” is printed on the rack’s side panels.

Sold at: Independent bicycle stores nationwide from December 2009 through February 2011 for about $175.

Manufactured in: Taiwan

Remedy: Consumers should remove this rack from their bicycles immediately and contact the store where purchased for a full refund or replacement.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Quality Bicycle Products toll-free at (877) 311-7686 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday or visit the firm’s website at http://civiacycles.com/aftermarketloringfrontrackrecall/

CPSC is still interested in receiving incident or injury reports that are either directly related to this product recall or involve a different hazard with the same product. Please tell us about it by visiting www.saferproducts.gov.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of the thousands of consumer products under the agency’s jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than $800 billion annually. CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical or mechanical hazard. CPSC’s work to ensure the safety of
consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters and household chemicals - contributed to a significant decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

Under federal law, it is illegal to attempt to sell or re-sell this or any other recalled product.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury go online to www.SaferProducts.gov, call CPSC’s Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270 for the hearing impaired. Consumers can obtain this news release and recall information at www.cpsc.gov. To join a free e-mail subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx.