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# SAFETY ALERT

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## Kerosene Hazard Recall Due to Low Ignition Temperature Issued December, 2012

The Division of Fire Safety has received information from Philadelphia Energy Solutions (PES) headquartered in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania that it is recalling kerosene sold to distributors in Pennsylvania and New Jersey after receiving information of consumer complaints from a distributor. The kerosene being recalled was sold between December 10 and December 18. Gasoline and Diesel from these stations is NOT being recalled, only kerosene.

The recall is being issued due to a problem with the kerosene in that it has a significantly lower ignition temperature than normal and poses a fire hazard if used in portable kerosene heaters. The flash point of kerosene, a liquid classified as combustible is between 100°F and 150°F. It is reported that this batch of kerosene has a flash point that may be as low as between 70°F and 72°F making it a flammable liquid.

Anyone that purchased kerosene during this time frame from any of the stations listed below should call **1-800-261-3707** as soon as possible to report it. PES will make arrangements for its collection.

The distributors where this kerosene was delivered and subsequently dispensed to consumers are as follows:

### In New Jersey

- Quinton Riggins: 505 Salem Quinton Rd, Quinton, NJ
- Pleasantville Riggins: 901 N New Rd, Pleasantville, NJ
- Cardiff Riggins: 6710 Black Horse Pike, Egg Harbor Twp, NJ
- S. Vineland Riggins: 4133 S Main Rd, Vineland, NJ
- Nesco Riggins: 3426 Nesco Rd, Hammonton, NJ
- Burlington Fuel Express: 58 Route 130 S. Wood Street Intersection, Burlington, NJ

### In Pennsylvania

- Scotty Gas East Stroudsburg: 5128 Milford Road, East Stroudsburg, PA
- US Gas Quakertown: U.S. Gas Minimart, 530 Broad Street, Quakertown, PA
- Riggins: 52<sup>nd</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA

Notification regarding this problem has been sent to these distributors and PES is dealing with collecting the kerosene. However, fire departments should be aware that this kerosene has been sold to consumers and may be in use in the areas surrounding these distributors.

Fire personnel should expect the possibility of fires occurring due to this product and exercise due caution, as is the case for any fire involving flammable liquids. Additionally, if fire departments in these areas utilize resident notification systems such as reverse 9-1-1 or similar systems, it would be wise to make notification to residents that may have purchased this product as soon as possible.

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