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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.

Name of Product: AGA Swivels for Scuba Diving Masks

Units: About 1,500

Manufacturer: M&J Engineering, of Poway, Calif.

Hazard: The swivel, which is attached to a diving mask, could separate while diving. This will result in a sudden loss of the diver's air supply, causing the diver to engage in emergency ascent. This poses a risk of decompression sickness due to rapid ascent or drowning.

Incidents/Injuries: M&J Engineering has received one report of swivels separating from the masks while diving. No injuries have been reported.

Description: This recall involves all SW-3000 2nd stage 360-degree swivels for scuba diving masks manufactured between January 2004 and February 2005. The swivel has the date stamped on its body, below the patent number. Swivels that are already repaired have an arrow stamped on the top right corner of the swivel body.

Sold at: Diving retail stores nationwide between January 2004 and February 2005 for about \$60.

Manufactured in: USA

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the scuba diving masks with the swivel attached and contact M&J Engineering to receive a free repair.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact M&J Engineering toll-free at (888) 794-8351 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. PT, e-mail <u>sales@omniswivel.com</u>, or visit the company's Web site at <u>www.mj-engineering.com</u>



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (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 your experience with the product on <u>SaferProducts.gov</u>

CPSC 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 \$900 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 decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

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 <u>www.SaferProducts.gov</u> 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 <u>www.cpsc.gov</u>, on Twitter <u>@OnSafety</u> or by subscribing to CPSC's <u>free e-mail newsletters</u>.