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**EHS Circular Letter 2014-33**

TO: Directors of Health  
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DATE: July 21, 2014

SUBJECT: Charles Products, Inc. (CPI) Voluntarily Recalls M&M'S Shot and Pint Glasses  
Due to Possible Health Risk (Lead and Cadmium)

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On May 22, 2014, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a press release announcing the voluntary recall of three M&M'S shot glasses and three M&M'S pint glasses by CPI. The company recently became aware that the glassware may exceed the FDA's guidance levels for leachable lead and cadmium. Both lead and cadmium are heavy metals found in the environment that accumulate in human bodies. Both can cause serious health complications at high levels. These glasses should therefore be returned and should not be used for the consumption of beverages, alcoholic or otherwise.

1,202 pint glasses and 6,335 shot glasses have been sold between the dates of January 8, 2014 and April 16, 2014 in New York, Nevada, Florida, and London. The products that are subject to this recall are only the pint and shot glasses with printing on the inside. No illness related to this product has been reported to date. The recall only applies to the SKU #s listed in the FDA's Recall – Firm Press Release below and no other products are affected.

The recall can also be found on the FDA website at: [http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm404573.htm?source=govdelivery&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm404573.htm?source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

Please see the individual recall notice for specific information for consumers and contact information for the company. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead & Healthy Homes Program at 860-509-7299.



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### Recall -- Firm Press Release

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### Charles Products Recalls Decorative Pint And Shot Glasses Due To Possible Health Risk

#### Contact:

Consumer:

1-800-848-3606

UK contact: [contact@uk.mars.com](mailto:contact@uk.mars.com)

International contact: [glassware@casupport.com](mailto:glassware@casupport.com)

For more information: [www.mmsworld.com](http://www.mmsworld.com)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - May 22, 2014 - Charles Products, Inc. (CPI) announced today that it is voluntarily recalling shot and pint glasses identified below sold exclusively through M&M'S World retail stores in New York, Las Vegas, Orlando and London.

CPI is recalling the following shot and pint glasses:

Glasses with an image of the Red M&M'S character and the words "Hard on the outside, soft on the inside;"

Glasses with an image of the Blue M&M'S character and the words "Who's your candy?;" and

Glasses with an image of the Green M&M'S character and the words "Eye candy."

Through its internal compliance and independent laboratory product testing program, the company became aware that the glassware may exceed the Food and Drug Administration's ("FDA") guidance levels for leachable lead and cadmium. Both lead and cadmium are heavy metals found in the environment that accumulate in human bodies. Both can cause serious health complications at high levels. These glasses should therefore be returned and should not be used for the consumption of beverages, alcoholic or otherwise.

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<b>Material</b>	<b>SKU</b>	<b>Description</b>
2000835986	835986	SHOT GLASS RED
2000835989	835989	SHOT GLASS BLUE
2000835990	835990	SHOT GLASS GREEN
2000835993	835993	PINT GASS GREEN
2000835991	835991	PINT GLASS RED
2000835992	835992	PINT GLASS BLUE

Consumers who purchased the recalled shot and pint glasses with printing on the inside should contact M&M'S World at the contacts above for a full refund or may return them to one of the four stores where the items were purchased:

M&M'S World New York City  
1600 Broadway  
New York, NY 10019

M&M'S World Las Vegas  
3785 South Las Vegas Blvd  
Las Vegas, NV 89109

M&M'S World Orlando  
8001 S. Orange Blossom Trail  
Suite 1132  
Orlando, FL 32809

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