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RE: Safety Notice – Blaze Fighter Glove

Dear Customer,

The Glove Corporation is issuing this safety notice to our distributor and user communities.

As you know, our fire gloves are made in accordance with NFPA standards. We strive to produce high quality products everyday at our U.S. based manufacturing operation. Per the NFPA 1971-2007 Standard, our gloves are tested and certified annually to ensure they meet the appropriate performance requirements.

During recent testing, one style of gloves encountered issues with the performance of the conductive heat resistance test. The back of the hand area of the glove did not meet the prescribed performance threshold, as outlined in Section 7.7.5 of the NFPA 1971-2007 Standard. The Blaze Fighter style exhibited issues with test values that were below the minimum performance requirements.

The Blaze Fighter meets the Thermal Protection Performance (TPP) and flame resistance requirements and all other applicable performance requirements of the NFPA 1971-2007 Standard. These gloves were produced from December 2009 through December 2010. The label in the glove will indicate the manufacture date with lot numbers of 12109 through 12310.

While the majority of these gloves have performed satisfactorily in the field, The Glove Corporation has received reported cases of back of hand burns with a few pairs of this glove model. The Glove Corporation is recommending that you use the contact information below to discuss possible replacement of your model Blaze Fighter glove that was manufactured within the timeframe referenced above.

Based upon the feedback we’ve received from users, 99.7% of these gloves have performed satisfactorily in the field. The Glove Corporation understands the importance of keeping our users advised regarding product performance. To use our products effectively, you must have a high level of confidence in the performance of the products.