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Laceration Hazard Prompts Recall by Starbucks of Coffee Grinders; Made by Tsann Kuen

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.

Name of product: Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder and Seattle’s Best Coffee® Blade Grinder.

Units: About 530,000

Manufacturer: Tsann Kuen (Zhangzhou) Enterprise Co. Ltd. (“TKL”) of China.

Retailer: Starbucks Coffee Company and Seattle’s Best Coffee both of Seattle, Washington.

Hazard: The grinder can fail to turn off or can turn on unexpectedly, posing a laceration hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: The firm has received 176 reports of grinders that failed to turn off or that turned on unexpectedly, including three reports of hand lacerations that occurred when the grinders turned on unexpectedly during cleaning.

Description: This recall includes the Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinders and Seattle’s Best Coffee® Blade Grinders with the following SKU numbers:

Brand	Color	SKU#
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Stainless Steel	171884
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Green	195234
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Pink	195235
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Orange	220623
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Teal	220624
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Cranberry	242275
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Olive	344476
Starbucks Barista® Blade Grinder	Black	454482
Seattle’s Best Coffee® Blade Grinder	Brown Metallic	474881

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Sold at: Starbucks and Seattle's Best Coffee stores nationwide from March 2002 through March 2009 for about \$30.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the coffee grinders and contact the Blade Grinder Hotline to receive a free replacement grinder.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact the Blade Grinder Hotline toll free at (866) 276-2950, or visit the company's web site at www.seattlesbest.com.

