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Toys R US releases letter for new standards

Toys R US released a letter stating the new standards for companies supplying their brand name. Below are their new lead standard.

NOTIFICATION TO MANUFACTURERS OF INCREASED QUALITY ASSURANCE STANDARDS AND OVERSIGHT:

- We have instructed all manufacturers who produce items for Toys“R”Us, Inc. that products shipped to the company on or after March 1, 2008 must comply with strict new standards, which include:
 - Significantly increasing the frequency of third-party testing, including each batch of product imported to the United States by Toys“R”Us, Inc.;
 - Ensuring all product samples submitted for testing are selected by the company’s third-party, certified laboratory;
 - Date-coding all products;
 - Applying a more stringent standard of 90 ppm for lead in surface coatings versus the current federal standard of 600 ppm for all products manufactured exclusively for Toys“R”Us, Inc.;
 - Requiring substrate materials to meet a standard of 250 ppm for lead versus the company’s current standard of 600 ppm for all products manufactured exclusively for Toys“R”Us, Inc.; and
 - Using lead-screening equipment to conduct company auditing of all products at their point of origin and at various points in the supply chain.

Farewell.....

In this last section I would like to thank all of those who have spread the word about lead poisoning prevention. As of June 30, I am resigning from my position as Health Educator.

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