Maytag Recalls Dishwashers Due to Fire Hazard

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., June 3, 2010 – Maytag Corporation, in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), today announced a voluntary recall of 1.7 million Maytag®, Jenn-Air®, Amana®, Admiral®, Magic Chef®, Performa by Maytag® and Crosley® brand dishwashers.

An electrical failure in the dishwasher's heating element can pose a serious fire hazard. Maytag has received 12 reports of dishwasher heating element failures that resulted in fires and dishwasher damage, including one report of extensive kitchen damage from a fire. No injuries have been reported.

The affected units were sold at department and appliance stores and by homebuilders nationwide from February 2006 through April 2010 for between $250 and $900.

Consumers should contact Maytag Corporation toll-free at 1-800-544-5513 anytime, or visit the Web site at www.repair.maytag.com to determine if their dishwasher is affected by this recall.

Consumers may obtain a copy of the entire CPSC press release at www.cpsc.gov.

About Whirlpool Corporation (NYSE: WHR)

Whirlpool Corporation is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances, with annual sales of approximately $17 billion in 2009, 67,000 employees, and 67 manufacturing and technology research centers around the world. The company markets *Whirlpool, Maytag, KitchenAid, Jenn-Air, Amana, Brastemp, Consul, Bauknecht* and other major brand names to consumers in nearly every country around the world. Additional information about the company can be found at http://www.whirlpoolcorp.com/.

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