

## URGENT FIELD CORRECTION NOTICE

February 23, 2010

ATTN: HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR, OR MANAGER, AND RISK MANAGER,

RE: HARMONY LA, LC 500 AND LA 700 SURGICAL LIGHTING AND MEDIA SYSTEM VOLUNTARY FIELD CORRECTION SERIAL NUMBERS 0428102135 TO 0430207104

Dear Valued Customer:

STERIS Corporation is implementing a voluntary field correction of Harmony LA, LC 500 and LA 700 Surgical Lighting and Media System bearing serial numbers 0428102135 to 0430207104 produced from August 2002 to October 2007. Our records indicate that your facility purchased one of the lighting systems included in this field correction.

<u>Description of the problem</u> – STERIS Corporation has learned that some Customers may experience premature bulb failures due to loosening of wires and overheating of the lamp housing assemblies within the Harmony LA, LC 500 and LA 700 Surgical Lighting and Media Systems. Please note that should you experience primary bulb failure, a secondary lamp is automatically activated.

<u>User action requested</u> – STERIS Corporation recommends that Customers ensure they are adhering to the Harmony LA, LC 500 and LA 700 Lighting and Media System Operator Manuals by:

- Not touching the glass portion of the lamp with bare fingers as this can cause deterioration of material, leading to possible failure of the bulbs;
- Using only STERIS replacement bulbs in the lighting system; use of other then those provided by STERIS may damage equipment;
- Placing the lighting system into STANDBY or OFF mode when not in use.

<u>STERIS action</u> – A STERIS Service Representative will contact your facility to arrange for STERIS to upgrade the lamp housing assembly within your Harmony LA/LC Surgical Lights to prevent any potential loose wire connections and/or overheating. For further information or if you have questions regarding our visit to your facility, please contact **STERIS Field Service Dispatch** at **1-800-333-8828**.

We are encouraging all our Customers to re-review the Harmony LA, LC 500 and LA 700 Operator Manuals for detailed descriptions on the indications for use of these lighting systems.

Sincerely,

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