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HARMONY LA, LC 500 and LA 700 SURGICAL LIGHTING and MEDIA SYSTEM

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MANUFACTURER:
STERIS Corporation Ltd.

DISTRIBUTED IN IRELAND BY:
ALLPHAR SERVICES
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Citywest Business Campus
Co. Dublin

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TARGET GROUPS
Hospital Managers / CEOs
Risk Managers
Clinical Directors
Clinical Engineers
Surgeons
Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Endoscopy units
Theatre and Nursing Staff
Purchasing Managers
Nursing Managers
Hospital personnel
Medical device distributors

ISSUE
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.

BACKGROUND
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.

The affected devices are those bearing **serial numbers 428102135 to 0430207104** produced from **August 2002 to October 2007**. The Irish Medicines Board (IMB) is

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aware that several affected devices have been placed on the Irish market and some of the users have not been identified by the distributor. The IMB is issuing this safety notice to ensure all users are aware of the potential problem.

STERIS Corporation issued a field safety notice (see attached) in February 2010 recommending that customers ensure that they are adhering to the Harmony LA, LC 500 and LA 700 Surgical 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 than those provided by STERIS may damage equipment;
- Placing the lighting system into STANDBY or OFF mode when not in use.

ACTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

The IMB advise that you:

- Check if you have these devices in your institution.
- If you have any of these identified devices in your institution, contact ALLPHAR SERVICES to arrange an upgrade of the lamp housing assembly.
- Ensure that you adhere to the manufacturer's Operator Manual for use and maintenance of the product.

ENQUIRIES

Enquiries to the Irish distributor should be addressed to:

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All adverse incidents relating to a medical device should be reported to the:

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