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Girls' Hooded Jackets with Drawstrings Sold Exclusively at Marshalls Stores Recalled by Apollo Jeans Due to Strangulation Hazard

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: Girls' Hooded Jackets

Units: About 14,000

Distributor: AJBlue LLC, dba Apollo Jeans, of New York, N.Y.

Hazard: The jackets have a drawstring through the hood which poses a strangulation hazard to children. In February 1996, CPSC issued [guidelines](#) (pdf) to help prevent children from strangling or getting entangled on the neck and waist by drawstrings in upper garments, such as jackets and sweatshirts.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The recalled velour jackets have a drawstring at the neck. The jackets are hooded, zip up the front, have a front pocket, and were sold with matching velour pants. The word "DIVA" with rhinestones is displayed across the front of the jackets. They were sold in children's sizes small, medium, large, extra-large and 4, 5, 6, and 6X and came in red, blue and beige colors. "Apollo Active Wear" and either style number 5033gk or 5033gg are printed on the jackets' neck tag.

Sold exclusively at: Marshalls Stores nationwide from August 2007 through November 2007 for about \$15.

Manufactured in: Korea

Remedy: Consumers should immediately remove the drawstring from the jacket's hood to eliminate the hazard, or return it for a full refund to either the place of purchase or Apollo Jeans.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, call Apollo Jeans collect at (212) 398-6585 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m ET Monday through Friday.

Note: CPSC was notified about these garments by the Wisconsin Department of Consumer Protection.



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To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web site at www.cpsc.gov/talk.html. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.