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News Release

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LONG-LIFE SMOKE ALARMS Batteries failing early.

BRANTFORD (ONTARIO), 25 APRIL 2003 – The Office of the Fire Marshal has been addressing concerns regarding smoke alarms containing a particular brand of long-life lithium batteries.

There have been numerous reports of certain models of 10 year ionization-type smoke alarms using 9-volt lithium batteries emitting a low battery warning in as little as a few months.

The smoke alarm models in question are: Kidde Safety 0916CAL L, Kidde Safety 906LL KCA and American Sensors SA900.

The lithium battery can be returned to the battery manufacturer for replacement or customers may call the manufacturer at 800-332-5000.

"Regardless of the type of battery in your smoke alarm they should be tested monthly to ensure they are working properly," says Chief Fire Prevention Officer Wendy Doucette.

**SMOKE ALARMS CAN SAVE LIVES
...IF THEY ARE PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED.**

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