To: Duke Community

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Re: Recall of American Power Conversion (APC) SurgArrest surge protectors Series 7 and 8

American Power Conversion (now Schneider Electric) has issued a world-wide recall of 15 million, Series 7 and 8 SurgArrest surge protectors manufactured prior to 2003 because of 55 reports of overheating, smoke, and melting which might result in a fire. We know these devices have been in use at Duke.

Anyone in possession of one of these devices described below should unplug this device and replace it with the SurgProT, Item # 806289, from Staples.

To dispose of the recalled device, please follow these instructions:

**University Buildings:**
Place in the closest *Duke Recycles* bin. The Facilities staffs responsible for emptying these recycling bins will collect them and appropriately dispose of them.

**Duke University Hospital:**
- Duke North - Place in labeled collection containers next to the recycling containers in the elevator lobby on each floor (1-9). For T and Zero levels, the collection container is located on the loading dock.
- North Pavilion - Place in collection containers on the Loading dock
- Duke Medical Pavilion - Place in the bin on the DMP Loading Dock
- Duke South - Place in the bin located on the Purple Loading Dock
- Eye Center - Place in the bin located on the Loading Dock

**School of Medicine Buildings:**
Orange Recycling has placed a collection bin in the lobby of each SoM building they currently service. Please place recalled power strips/surge protectors in these bins.

Listed below are instructions on how to determine if your specific device is included. Further information can be obtained at [http://recall.apc.com/en](http://recall.apc.com/en).

This recall involves APC 7 and 8 series SurgeArrest surge protectors manufactured before 2003. The model and serial numbers are located on a label on the bottom of the surge protector. The two numbers that follow the first letter or letters in the serial number sequence indicate the year of manufacture. The unit is included in the recall if the numbers are 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 00, 01 or 02. APC and the words Personal, Professional, Performance or Network are printed on the surge protectors.