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Dorel Home Products
Cosco
Dorel Asia

EXCHANGES

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Thursday, April 3, 2003---The Dorel Juvenile Group (Canada) would like to remind caregivers of a Public Notice that was issued on September 9, 2002. Due to a lower than expected response rate from consumers, the Dorel Juvenile Group (Canada) is re-issuing the following information regarding all COSCO combination Child Car seats and High Back Booster Seats produced between January 1, 1998, and August 29, 2002.

A piece of energy absorbing foam was omitted from the following model numbers: 02-C42 (High Back Booster); 02-C48 (High Back Booster); 02-C49 (High Back Booster); 02-04C (Ventura); 02-09C (Visions); 22-26C (Summit); 22-56C (Vantage Point); 02-45C (Safety1st High Back Booster); 02-64C (Vantage Point); 02-88C (Commuter); 02-C88 (High Back Booster).

The model number can be found on a label located on the side of the car seat.

The Dorel Juvenile Group (Canada) emphasizes that the omission of the foam does not constitute a safety risk to the occupant. Transport Canada indicates that the omission of the foam does not affect the safety performance of the seat in the event of a collision. There have been no head injuries as a result of the omission of the foam. Consumers can obtain a free foam insert kit and installation instructions by contacting the Dorel Juvenile Group at:

Consumer Toll Free Number to Call:	1-800-536-1090
Toll Free Fax Number:	1 800-207-8182
E-mail address:	canadabooster@djgusa.com
Mailing Address:	DJG Consumer Relations-Canada Booster P.O. Box 2609 Columbus, IN 47202

PROFILE

Dorel Industries Inc. is a global manufacturer of consumer products. It specializes in two market segments: juvenile products and home furnishings. Dorel's extensive product offering includes juvenile products such as infant car seats, strollers, high chairs, toddler beds, cribs, infant health and safety aids, play-yards and juvenile accessories; home furnishings such as a wide variety of Ready-to-Assemble (RTA) furniture for home and office use as well as metal folding furniture, futons, step stools, ladders and other imported furniture items.

Dorel employs approximately 4,500 people in fourteen countries. Major North American facilities are located in Montreal, Quebec; Cornwall, Ontario; Columbus, Indiana; Wright City, Missouri; Tiffin, Ohio; Dowagiac, Michigan; and Canton, Massachusetts. The Company's major divisions in the United States include Ameriwood Industries and the Dorel Juvenile Group (DJG USA), which incorporates the Cosco and Safety 1st brand names. In Canada, Dorel operates Ridgewood Industries and Dorel Home Products. European operations are carried out through the Dorel Juvenile Group (DJG Europe) located in Holland and the Ampa Group which has major facilities in France, Italy and Portugal. Brand names marketed in Europe are Maxi-Cosi, Bébé Confort, Quinny, Safety 1st, Babidéal, MonBébé and Baby Relax. Dorel's imported furniture business is carried out through Dorel Asia.

Forward-Looking Statements

Except for historical information provided herein, this press release may contain information and statements of a forward-looking nature concerning the future performance of the Company. These statements are based on suppositions and uncertainties as well as on management's best possible evaluation of future events. Such factors may include, without excluding other considerations, fluctuations in quarterly results, evolution in customer demand for the Company's products and services, the impact of price pressures exerted by competitors, and general market trends or economic changes. As a result, readers are advised that actual results may differ from expected results.