



SAFETY ALERT

December 2017

RE: Safety Alert on Bulwark lots SMU4LB, SMU4KH & SMU4GY

Valued Bulwark customer,

Bulwark takes very seriously our commitment to supply the highest quality flame resistant clothing to the market, and we are exceedingly cautious when we detect an abnormality in our production.

Our records indicate that you may have purchased one or more of the shirts identified by the lots listed above during the period between January 1, 2017 and today. Some of these items were shipped with external labels on the upper left arm that state the garments offer CAT 2 protection (arc rating of 8.0 cal/cm² or higher) when, in fact, the shirts actually carry a CAT 1 arc rating of 6.5 cal/cm². The lot number and correct arc rating can be found on the neck label of the shirt.

We are aware of the error and have taken immediate steps to correct the label to ensure that future production is labeled accurately.

There are no other concerns with these garments or the fabric they were made from. Further, the 3rd party certification to NFPA 2112 is not compromised; if these garments are being worn for protection against flash fire, no additional action is required. But, if these shirts are being worn for protection against electric arc, you may want to return them to us.

Bulwark is taking immediate action to alert customers to this labelling error and to offer to replace any affected garments that you choose to return. If you opt to return the affected garments in exchange for properly labeled replacements, please contact your VF representative.

Sincerely,

Denise N. Statham
Technical Services Director