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#### Incident Details

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Who You Are: Consumer

Incident Description: To The U.S Consumer Protection Commission:

On August 25, 2011, I purchasded from a local Walmart store in Anderson, SC a 22oz can of FIX A FLAT TIRE INFLATOR, which is manufactuered by ITW Global Brands Inc. I paid \$5.67 for the can to inflat the tire on my German Car. I foloowed all of the directions on the can properly, as directed. At the time as well, my Assistant was present and oversaw myself following the directions on the can. The 22oz can of FIX A FLAT TIRE INFLATOR, comes with a small plastic hose, this is connected to the top of the can by the nozzlewhich you then connect it to the tire vlaive on your car, which I did properly. After following the instruction, and the can stated 'TESTED' I began to place the plastic tire vlave hose on my cars tire valve. I then depressed the button on the can above the nozzle of the questionable product, when all of the sudden, TIRE INFLATOR CHEMICALS BLEW OUT of the nozzle lip by the can, thusly, sending toxic tire inflator chemicals all ofer my face, arms, hands and on my cars tire and cap. I had glasses on as wellll which protected my eyes. I did not sustain severe burns, thank God, but my lower left eye lid, which was treated...

I immediately contacted Walmart Corporate offices, Michael Duke, CEO in Bentonville, AR, their Corporate Headquarters, alerting them that this is a very dangerous product and that your company should investigate this, I never heard from Michael Dukes offices, only the Store manager who wanted to offer me a replacement can, I refused it, because of this warranted defect.

I contacted ITW Global Brands, the manufactuer of this consumer auto product, to alert them of this serious defect, and I even offered to assist them by offering my experience with this product, so other consumers would not be affected or severely hurt, I received was a \$5.67 refund, which I refused to accept. The company, then filed a claim file # 6419396, via their insurance company, Broadspire Services, a division of Zurich American Insurance. I offered to assist them as well, which was refused. I was then told to send back the product at my expense, so they can see why the defect happened. I was advised by my Attroeny, not to send it back, due to the fact, I would not receive it back, in case I was advised to file a Breach of Warranty damages action, so I have kept the defective product in my possession for that purpose.

To date, the claim has not been addressed, since this is the case, as I was advised the Breach of Warranty action shall be filed.

Thank you

Incident Date: 9/25/2011

Incident Location: Home/Apartment/Condominium - Parking lot of [REDACTED], Anderson, SC, [REDACTED]  
Canada

#### Victim Details

First Name: [REDACTED]

Last Name: [REDACTED]

Injury Information: Injury, First Aid Received by Non-Medical Professional

Victim is of Hispanic/Latino origin? No

Race: White  
Other  
Race/Ethnicity:  
Source of Race Respondent - Other  
Information:  
My Relationship My Client, Patient, Student, Etc. (professional relationship)  
to Victim:  
Gender: Male  
Age when 50 Years  
incident  
occurred:  
Address: [REDACTED], Anderson, South Carolina, [REDACTED] United States  
E-mail: [REDACTED]  
Phone Number: [REDACTED]

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#### Product Details

Product Description: ITW GLOBAL BRANDS, " FIX A FLAT TIRE INFLATOR. Aerosal can metal, 22oz with plastic hose attached to cans nozzle with turn tire valve connector.  
Product Category: FIX A FLAT TIRE INFLATOR 22 oz CAN  
Product Type:  
Brand Name: FIX A FLAT tire Inflator  
Manufacturer / Importer / Private Labeler Name: ITW GLOBAL BRANDS INC  
Model Name or Number: FIX A FLAT TIRE INFLATOR  
Serial Number: 074245074559  
Date Manufactured:  
Manufacturer Date Code: none  
Manufacturer Address: Not specified  
Manufacturer Website URL:  
Manufacturer Phone Number:  
Retailer: WALMART STORES INC  
Retailer State: ANDERSON, SC

#### Additional Details

Purchase Date: 8/25/2011

I still have the product in my possession. Yes

The product was damaged before the N/A

incident.

The product N/A  
was modified  
before the  
incident.

Have you N/A  
contacted the  
manufacturer?

If not, do you N/A  
plan to contact  
them?

Explanation: I still have the defective product, which reads on the can HAZARADOUS, CHEMICAL STATED IN CALIFORNIA CAN CAUSE CANCER"...

Your Contact Information

First Name: [REDACTED]

Last Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], Anderson, South Carolina, [REDACTED] United States

E-mail

Phone Number:

Consent

May we include your Report, including any documents or photographs that you have attached to your Report, but without your name and contact information, in CPSC's Public Database? Yes, you may include my Report with any attachments on SaferProducts.gov.

May we release your name and contact information to the product manufacturer / importer / private labeler identified in your Report? Yes, you may release my name and contact information to the product manufacturer / importer / private labeler.

I certify that I have reviewed the Report and that the information provided in this Report is true and accurate to Yes

the best of my  
knowledge,  
information,  
and belief.

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