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The Fair Trading Commission

Press Release

The Fair Trading Commission (the Commission) is advising importers and retailers of electronic items that imported products must comply with existing standards of the Country.

Test purchase carried out by the Commission in some hardware shops on twin-and-earth (1.5mm² and 2.5mm²) cables showed that the use of these products is unsafe as they do not meet the standards defined by **BS6004**, as required under **Regulation 72 of the Electricity Regulations (PUC Act)**.

A test purchase on three pin power adaptors being supplied also showed non compliance with the requirements specified by the British Standard **BS 1363 – 3** being the standard applied in Seychelles.

Products which do not comply to safety standards is a hazard to consumers. The Fair Trading Commission is empowered under section 54 of the Consumer Protection Act, 2010 to issue a **Compulsory Recall of Goods Notice** in relation to the supply of unsafe products and to require the supplier to publish the recall of goods. The Commission is also required to publish the compulsory recall notice in one daily newspaper for the attention of the general public.