Field Safety Corrective Action

Dear Customer.

Olympus has become aware of an issue that requires your attention. This letter pertains to the

Olympus Winter & Ibe Working Elements for Resectoscopes

LOT 118W, 119W and 11XW

Art. No.

WA22066A (active, monopolar) WA22067A (passive, monopolar) WA22366A (active, bipolar) WA22367A (passive, bipolar)

Dear Customer,

Olympus has become aware of a raw material inhomogenity in the white Teflon subassemblies of its working elements for resectoscopes. In consequence, the insulation function may be impaired and the hazard of sparking during activation of HF energy cannot be fully excluded.

To date no impairment was reported to Olympus and the likelihood of occurrence of the scenario described above is ranked very low. Nevertheless to best serve our customers and reinsure our demand to always deliver the best quality it was decided to withdraw the relevant product batch from the market.

We kindly ask you to check your inventory if you have working elements of the respective article numbers in use or elsewhere in your stock that belong to the LOT numbers mentioned above. If so, please avoid further use and return them to Olympus for credit in clean and disinfected condition. In any case, please fill the reply form and send it to your local Olympus partner.

Olympus regrets if the implementation of these measures might cause inconveniences and fully appreciates your prompt cooperation in addressing this situation. In case of any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your local Olympus partner who will be delighted to support or make the necessary arrangements.

Please return the completed reply form to

Olympus Subsidiary/Distributor {by end of [month]}

Yours sincerely,

Reply Form								
Olympus Subsidiary	//Distribut	or						
[Dept/Attn]								
[Street No.]								
[ZIP City]								
[Date]								
[Ref No.]								
[EXT-xxx]								
Olympus Winter & Ibe Working Elements for Resectoscopes Dear Sirs, Herewith we confirm the receipt of your customer letter and your recommendations to inspect the inventory if we have received items belonging to the suspected LOT numbers 118W, 119W or 11XW We will quarantine the respective products and return them to Olympus for credit.								
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