

# **Mattel recalls over 18 million China-made toys**

**The Strait Times – Wednesday, August 15, 2007. Toy making giant Mattel said yesterday that it was recalling more than 18 million China-made toys worldwide, citing fears about lead paint and small magnets that could break loose.**

**US consumer Product Safety Commission acting chairman Nancy Nord announced the recall of lead-painted cars at a new conference in the US capital. “ The scope of these recalls intentionally large to prevent any injuries from occurring”, she told the news conference. Excessive levels of chemical if ingested, can lead to liver and kidney damage. However no injuries involving the products had been reported so far.**

**Among the toys recalled yesterday are 253000 Sarge brand cars from the movie of the same name, because the paint could contain lead level in excess of federal standard. The recall involving lead paint was Mattel’s seconds in two weeks.**