



Product Alert

December 9th, 2018

Type of Notification: Counterfeit

FM Approvals has been notified by Giacomini S.p.A. of the discovery of suspect counterfeit Model A156 pressure restricting valves on the market in Medellin, Columbia.

Authentic Company Identity: Giacomini S.p.A.

Address: Via per Alzo, 39 – 28017 San Maurizio D’Opaglio (NO), Italy

Product Identity: Model A156

Description: Pressure Restricting Valve

FM Approval Status: **Not FM Approved.**

Hazard Involved: The suspect counterfeit products described in this product alert have never been tested or certified as FM Approved. There is no evidence these suspect counterfeit products have ever been tested to the rigorous requirements of FM Approvals. Use of these products may present a serious property risk for the user.

These Model A156 pressure restricting valves were not produced by Giacomini S.p.A.

If you suspect you are in possession of any of the affected equipment listed above bearing the FM Approvals certification marking, please bring that to the attention of:

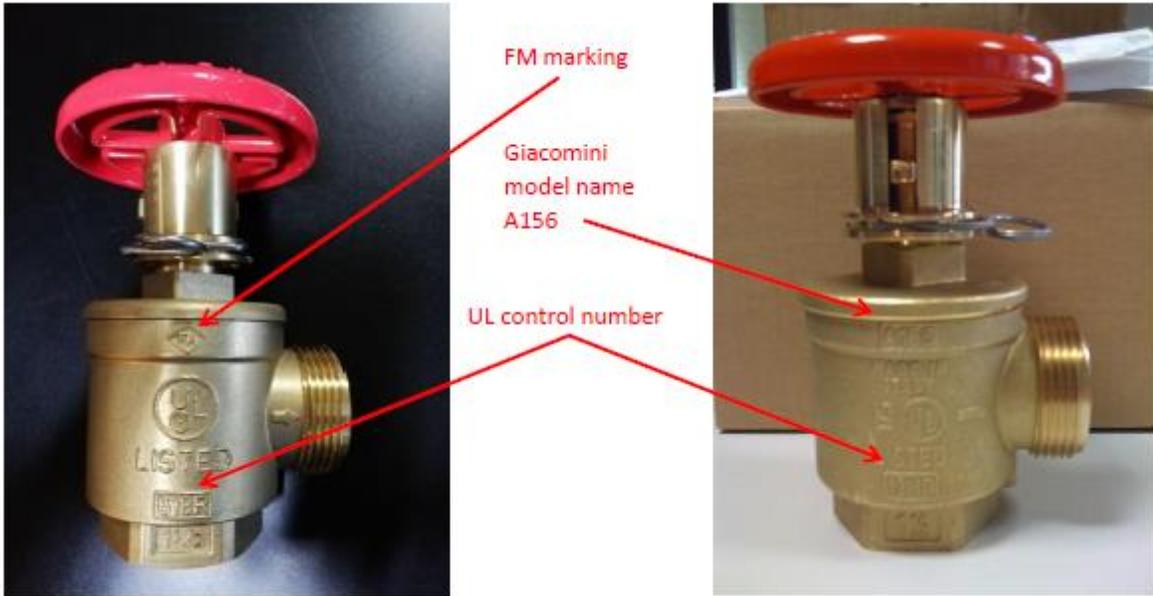
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Suspect Counterfeit Valve

Actual A156 Valve

Figure 1 – Model A156 Valves: The suspect counterfeit valve has the UL control number identified as “618R”. This control number refers to UL File EX2964(Hose Valves) which includes the A55 angle hose valves. The correct control number should be “12HO” which refers to Model A156 and UL File EX3504(Pressure Reducing Devices).



Figure 2 – Model A156 Valves: The suspect counterfeit valve has the wrong model number cast on to the valve body and it is missing the Giacomini logo.



Figure 3 – Model A156 Valves: The suspect counterfeit valve is missing the yellow ring with the Giacomini name and point of origin fastened to the handle of the actual product.