

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
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**CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Patty Hackett, ES
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NON-CPSC ATTENDEES:

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| Terra Anders, Lakeshore Learning Materials |
| Lori Bashore, Intex |
| Elaine Besson, EHB Consulting Ltd |
| Trish Callahan, Chicago Tribune |
| Adrienne Citrin, Toy Industry Association |
| Nancy Cowles, Kids in Danger |
| Bob Crowley, Graco |
| Bob Coughlin, Fisher-Price/Mattel Inc. |
| Dave Dick, Bureau Veritas, CPS |
| Michelle Esteban, Komo TV Seattle |
| Tim Edwards, Sassy, Inc. |
| Frank Gibbs, Mattel, Inc. |
| Tod Giessler, Peg-Perego, USA, Inc. |
| Krister Hard af Segerst, IKEA North America Services |
| Lorca Hjortsberg, Toy Industry Association – Subcommittee Secretary |
| Gary Jones, Radica USA Ltd |
| Zina Juroch, Pier 1 Imports |
| Arthur Kazianis, Hasbro, Inc. |
| Joan Lawrence, Toy Industry Association – Subcommittee Chairman |
| Rick Locker, Locker Greenberg & Brainin (TIA Counsel) |
| Erin McElrone, ASTM International |
| Kathie Morgan, ASTM International – Staff Manager |
| Joan Muratore, Consumers Union |
| Jeffrey Novak, Unique Industries, Inc. |
| Kitty Pilarz, Fisher-Price/Mattel, Inc. |
| Ramon Primicias, Mattel, Inc. |
| Terri Rogers |

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| Rick Rosati, Bureau Veritas, CPS |
| Sam Shamie, Delta Enterprise Corp |
| Joel Taft, Fisher-Price/Mattel, Inc. |
| Syliva Wehrer, Health Canada |

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 pm by Joan Lawrence, Subcommittee Chairman, who welcomed the participants. Self-introductions were made.

Reports for work groups.

Acoustics Working Group (WG) – Chair, Frank Gibbs, reported on Acoustics draft revision. A review of the ISO 8124-1 draft standard which is currently in the development/balloting stage was conducted. Frank noted that current ASTM draft is harmonized with ISO 8124 draft.

Cords and Elastics – Chair, Rick Rosati, stated that after review of the data, the WG did not support adding a section to F963 toy standard to address break-away features.

Flammability – Chair, Ramon Primicias, reported that the task group is waiting for input from CPSC staff on the method of determining a ‘major axis’ described in Annex A4. The next steps for the Flammability WG will be to work on refining the definition of enclosures.

Hemisphere Shaped Objects – WG member, Kitty Pilarz, reported that a proposal to allow for an additional option of a single hole of a minimum size was reviewed. Ms. Pilarz noted that many approaches were not addressed in the current draft and that the WG invited suggestions for alternative openings. The task group will also look at surface area as the qualifier for an option.

Jaw Entrapment – Chair, Kitty Pilarz, reported that proposal was updated to limit the scope of the intended products. It now addresses only those products associated with jaw entrapment. The task group presented the proposal for ballot consideration.

Magnets – Chair, Arthur Kazianis, reported on recent WG phone conferences and brought everyone up to date. Comments provided by a pediatrician doctor with experience with the hazard were discussed. He said that the size or strength of the magnet is not important – assuming it can be ingested.

Mr. Kazianis noted that the WG will work further on the warning label wording and drafting the proposal into ASTM wording.

Reviewed the testing proposals – three task group members bought magnets and tested them, using the 8/22/06 proposal (3 foot drop test only). No failures noted. The products were then sent to CPSC where additional testing was done on the already tested product and failures were seen when tested to an increased drop height/mass and with a use (tension) test following the drop test.

Discussions regarding some of the IDIs noted that the scenario of liberation of magnets is not fully known making it difficult to set requirements. The subcommittee wants the 8/22/06 proposal to move forward but with a required warning. It was noted that the warning needs to

be more communicative to the consumer. CPSC staff agreed to look at current warning and get back to the group by mid-October.

Miscellaneous Issues – Chair, Joel Taft, provided an update on the following section items the WG had been working on.

Folding Mechanisms and Hinge Line Requirements – It was noted that there have been no changes to this section.

Packaging Film – Mr. Taft noted that the WG had looked into whether a rationale existed for the EN71 requirement of adding perforation to the sheeting. He reported that this requirement has been in EN71 for fifteen years but the rationale was not documented. He noted that the WG added information to the draft regarding this fact.

Use and Abuse Testing – Mr. Taft noted that there had been no changes made to this section. Elaine Besson, chair of Editorial WG, offered to review the standard and reconcile the inconsistencies for age-grading as much as possible. She commented that if it changed the definition of the scope or was in conflict with the U.S. Federal requirement she would not propose a change to the language.

Projectiles – Chair, Frank Gibbs, reported that the draft submitted to the Subcommittee was the ISO 8124 draft revised to fit the ASTM format, and that the U.S. comments on the ISO draft were attached to the back of the draft for the Subcommittee's review. Mr. Gibbs gave a brief review on the status of the activity on projectiles at the International Standards level (ISO). Mr. Gibbs commented that following the ISO meetings in October the ASTM Projectiles WG would meet to review the outcome.

Yo-Yo Elastic Tether Toy – Chair, Kitty Pilarz, reported on the work done by the WG. She noted that the definition had been revised to differentiate the yo-yo elastic tether toys from other toys; the alternative test method was removed and the draft was now in ASTM format. Some suggestions were provided to clarify the description of yo-yo elastic tether toys.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting scheduled for Feb 12, 2007 in New York, NY.