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**SUBJECT: Meeting with Russ Kendzior of National Floor Safety Institute**

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**LOCATION: CPSC, Bethesda, MD**

**CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Vince Amodeo  
Natalie Marcy  
Hope Johnson**

**NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Russ Kendzior, NFSI  
Bob Ashlin, Universal Walkway Testing, L.P.  
Joseph Owens, PhD, ASTM D21  
Mark Gindling, Buckeye International, Inc  
Sean Oberle, Product Safety Letter  
Robert Kiefer, Consumer Specialty Products Association  
John DiFazio Jr., Consumer Specialty Products Association**

**SUMMARY OF MEETING: Vince Amodeo (CPSC) presented purpose of meeting 1.  
To discuss latest developments from NFSI and 2. To get a handle on how CPSC  
can capture better slip and fall data. Russ Kendzior gave a brief update on how**

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NFSI has been working with industry, manufacturers, insurance companies and CPSC. Bob Ashlin (UWT) presented the latest improvements with their portable coefficient of friction machine. A discussion ensued on developments of ASTM F13 (Walkway safety) and D21 (Polishes) committee work on standards. Also a discussion on how current standard values were established for rating safety or flooring slip resistance. Some ASTM standards have been withdrawn because they lack precision and bias. Most are based on specific machines. Joseph Owens discussed ASTM work towards a standard for how machines could rank flooring "interfaces" (surfaces). CPSC ESME staff believes this would be a good step toward developing a performance standard for walkway safety. Russ Kendzior discussed upcoming CNA Insurance study on walkway safety. Russ Kendzior presented current bathtub safety standards and discussed their shortcomings.