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**LOG OF TELEPHONE CALL**  
**DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES**

**SUBJECT:** Children's Sleepwear Project - Production Tolerance for Sleepwear Garments

**DATE OF CALL:** 1-25-94

**LOG ENTRY SOURCE:** Linda Fansler, ESME

**COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE:** Linda Fansler, ESME UF

**NON-COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE:** Honey C. Rowe  
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**SUMMARY OF CONVERSATION:**

The Commission is considering amendment of the flammability standards for children's sleepwear and has published an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR). As part of the ANPR, the Commission requested comments regarding the proposed amendment.

Ms. Rowe, Vice President of Spencer's Incorporated, responded to the Commission's request for comments by letter dated March 4, 1993 (attached). In this letter Ms. Rowe recommends the Commission consider a "+ 15% production variance using the size chart ...". Ms. Rowe was called for more detail about this production variance.

According to Ms. Rowe a production variance is similar to a tolerance. This recommendation was made as part of her comment as the manufacturer cannot always manufacturer each garment to the exact dimensions specified. A production variance is needed. When asked why a 15% production variance, was that considered standard in the industry, Ms. Rowe indicated there was no standard for the industry that perhaps a 5 to 10 percent variance was more realistic. Ms. Rowe also stated that this percent variance should apply both above and below the specified garment dimension.

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