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SUBJECT: Meeting with the Technical Working Group of the Z21/(Interim CSA)
Joint Subcommittee on Standards for Vented Gas-Fired Warm Air Heaters

LOCATION: Harley Hotel
Interstate 77 & Rockside Road
Independence, Ohio 44131

DATE: February 9-10, 1999

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COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Mohammed Khan (ESEE)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Cathy Rake	International Approval Services/CSA
Susan McCarthy	International Approval Services/CSA
Gerald Simpson	Louisville Tin & Stove Company
Richard Sparwasser	OMNI Test Laboratories, Inc.
Eric Hawkinson	Heatilator
Bob Zimmerman	Underwriters Laboratories Inc.
Peter Baker	Valor Heating/Miles Industries
George Manset	Martin Industries
Ron Smith	Superior Furnace Company
Mike Caldarera	GAMA
Michael Van Buren	Hearth Products Association
Don Jamieson	CFM-Majestic Products

MEETING SUMMARY:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss revision proposals for the ANSI Z21.50/CGA 2.22, Z21.86/CSA 2.32, and Z21.88/CSA 2.33 standards. This summary is limited to the revision proposals that are pertinent to current staff projects.

Topic item no. 3 in the meeting agenda, "Surface Temperatures", affected the vented fireplace heater standard, ANSI Z21.88/CSA 2.33, and was of particular interest to the staff. It was proposed that the surface

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temperature limit of the appliance be raised to 280°F. (Current appliance surface temperature limits are 100°F and 140°F, depending upon the distance from the floor.). On 10 February, the proposer indicated that he requires more time to redefine and strengthen his rationale for the proposal but voiced concerns for the CPSC's possible inaccurate and incomplete interpretation of injury data that relate contact burns and heaters. He also indicated that current temperature limits could pose unnecessary design restrictions.

It was made clear that the staff will openly consider and review all rationales and supporting information before making its decision to oppose or accept the proposal. Additionally, it was stated that the staff would analyze its injury data and other information in greater detail to discern the effects of the subject heater class. In closing, it was stated that the staff looks forward to cooperating with all interested parties in developing the appropriate temperature limits.