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August 30, 1973

Elvin E. Tackett, Esquire
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Dear Mr. Tackett:

Chairman Simpson has asked me to reply to your letter of August 13, 1973, regarding your client's injury from a toy balloon explosion.

The Commission does not currently possess technical data relating to material or production specifications for toy balloons; nor does it have information as to a recognized authority in that area.

The safety of toy balloons is a matter of concern to the Commission since it has assumed authority to administer the provisions of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act as amended by the Child Protection and Toy Safety Act of 1969. Accordingly, you may wish to provide us with the name of the American manufacturer or importer of the balloon involved, the stock number, brand name, and/or any other available information that would enable us to take appropriate action.

We regret that we are unable to be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Brown

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Acting General Counsel

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