

**Log of Meeting**

Subject: Product Migration

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Place: CPSC

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Commission Attendees:

Roy Deppa  
Troy Whitfield  
Prowpit Adler  
Caroleene Paul  
John Murphy  
Nick Marchica  
Terry Karels

Non-Commission Attendees:

Chris Evans, UK Consumers Association Research and Testing Centre  
Danielle Barry, Thompson, Hire & Florry, LLP  
David Baker, Thompson, Hire & Florry, LLP

Summary of Meeting:

The meeting was requested by Mr. Evans. He is the Head of Centre of the Consumers Association Research and Testing Centre based at Davy Avenue, Milton Keynes, UK. This is part of the UK Consumers' Association, which is the largest independent consumer organization outside the USA and is similar in operation to Consumers Union. However, they differ in that they do much more collaborative work with other consumer organizations worldwide, as well as with the UK government and European Commission departments.

Mr. Evans requested the meeting to obtain information to support a study his section is conducting. The research study is being done on behalf of the UK government department most similar to CPSC, the Consumer Safety Unit at the Department of Trade and Industry. The study is aimed at getting a better understanding of the types of product which have or might "migrate" from the professional sector to the UK domestic (consumer) sector. In particular, he was interested in the US perspective to establish whether the US market is ahead of the UK market and where safety problems have emerged. His particular area of concentration included gardening, leisure, and do-it-yourself home repairs.

The discussion of the above issues was informal and free ranging. CPSC representatives described past safety projects with outdoor powered equipment and home workshop tools and equipment. The discussion included descriptions and examples of regulatory development projects as well as voluntary standards development.

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