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MEETING LOG

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING ON THE
STUDY OF THE RISKS OF FLAME RETARDANT CHEMICALS
(Public Session)
July 29, 1999
10:30 am-4 pm

Location: National Academy of Sciences, 2001 Constitution Ave, Washington, DC

Meeting Attendees: Not available

CPSC Attendees: P. Bittner, M. Babich, K. Hatlelid, J. Ferrante, R. Medford, L. Saltzman, D. Ray, M. Danello, M. Wind, H. Ewell, W. Porter, W. Prunella, M. Gidding, M. Toro.

CPSC Presenters: M. Babich, P. Bittner, R. Medford

Program: Attached

The National Academy of Sciences is under contract to CPSC to perform a study of the toxicological risk of 16 flame retardant (FR) chemicals or chemical classes. This first meeting of the subcommittee solicited input from interested parties, and was the only part of the 2-day meeting that was open to the public. Ron Medford provided background information on the history of the work on this project at CPSC and the study itself, Mike Babich provided information on the FHSA, and Patricia Bittner presented the results of the findings of the toxicity reviews performed by CPSC staff on 7 of the 16 FR chemicals.

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PUBLIC SESSION

LECTURE ROOM

10:30	Welcome and Introduction of Subcommittee Members and Guests	Donald Gardner <i>Subcommittee Chair</i>
10:45	Origin of National Association of State Fire Marshals' Request to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to Promulgate Flammability Standards for Upholstery Fabrics	George Miller <i>Vice President</i> National Association of State Fire Marshals
11:00	Legislative Background of the NRC Study	The Honorable Roger Wicker <i>U.S. Representative from Mississippi</i>
11:15	CPSC Upholstered Furniture Project	Ronald Medford, <i>Assistant Executive Director</i> <i>For Hazard Identification and Reduction</i> CPSC
11:30	CPSC's Federal Hazardous Substances Act	Michael Babich, <i>Chemist</i> CPSC
11:45	Summary of CPSC Toxicology Reviews on Flame-Retardant Chemicals	Patricia Bittner, <i>Toxicologist</i> Michael Babich, <i>Chemist</i> CPSC
12:15	LUNCH BREAK	
1:00	Regulation of New and Existing Chemicals under the Toxic Substances Control Act	Joseph Carra, <i>Deputy Director</i> <i>Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics</i> Environmental Protection Agency
1:20	Furniture Industry Concerns Regarding Consumer and Occupational Exposure to Flame-Retardant Chemicals	Hugh Talley, <i>Technical Director of the Upholstered Furniture Action Council</i> , Upholstered Furniture Council
1:35	Commercial Implications of Compliance with CPSC's Proposed Flammability Standard for Upholstered Furniture	Roger Berkley, <i>Chairman of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute's Upholstery Fabric Committee</i>
1:50	Exposure Issues Related to Fabric Backcoating	Richard Rose Great Lakes Chemical Corporation
2:05	Exposure Issues Related to Reactive Flame-Retardant Chemistry	Celia Powell Mast Industries
2:20	Flame-Retardant Product Chemistries, Toxicology, and Hazard Evaluations	Vincent Piccirillo, <i>Consultant</i> NPC, Inc.
2:40	Toxicology of Decabromodiphenyl Oxide and Hexabromocyclododecane	Marcia Hardy, <i>Senior Toxicology Advisor</i> Albemarle Corporation

