

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
LOG OF MEETING**

SUBJECT: Education and enforcement issues surrounding the Pool and Spa Safety Act of 2007

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LOCATION: Conference room in suite 724

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Thomas H. Moore, Commissioner; Pamela Weller and Michael Gougisha, Counselors to the Commissioner; Scott Wolfson and Kathleen Reilly, OIPA

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Danielle Kazmier and Paul Pennington, Pool Safety Council; Alan Korn, Safe Kids Worldwide; David Stingl, Stingle Products; Mona Mohib and Frank Donatelli, McGuire Woods Consulting; Janell Mayo Duncan, Consumers Union; Olusueyi Iwarere, Brian Cave LLP; Sean Oberle and Arunjana Das, Product Safety Letter; Carmin DiGiovanni, the Association of Pool and Spa Professionals.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Mr. Stingl said that they were grateful for the agency's support of the Act and of our activities on behalf of drowning prevention. Mr. Korn said that his organization is hearing that there is a lack of awareness

about the Act. He indicated that Safe Kids could possibly visit pools around the country and report back on what they find.

Mr. Pennington stated that there was a lot of misinformation about how to comply with the Act and that many pool owners think they have to have a second drain. He noted that they support the new law and they would be getting us statistics on complying pools.

Ms. Kazmier said that there was a need to raise awareness of pool safety beyond the Act and throughout the year. She thought the agency's information and education campaign should highlight the people that are doing the right things with their pools. She also indicated that she thought the pool new web site was wonderful.

Mr. DiGiovanni noted that many state laws require a main drain. He said that pools can be made without main drains and that his organization is pushing the "no main drain" option for new pools. Mr. Pennington responded that state health officials require main drains, that circulation is needed to get bacteria out.

Mr. Stingl said that States that do a good job of enforcement take the Pool and Spa Safety Act seriously. He also indicated they want to help us to enforce the new law.

Commissioner Moore thanked them for their presentation and the meeting ended.