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SUBJECT: Bedclothing Task Force Meeting (Bedding Flammability)

DATE OF MEETING: July 1, 2003

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LOCATION: American Textile Manufacturers Institute (ATMI)
1130 Connecticut Ave, NW, Suite 1200, Washington, DC

CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached attendees list

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached attendees list

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The mission of the Bedclothes Task Force is to assist in the research of bedding flammability. The Task Force is specifically assisting the California Bureau of Home Furnishings (CBHF) to address bedding flammability in a manner that is reasonable and transparent. California legislation, AB 603, requires CBHF to address bedding flammability.

The July 1 meeting of the Task Force took place at the offices of ATMI to review the draft TB 604 rulemaking language for the bedclothing test standard. After welcoming remarks from Patty Adair of ATMI, and introductions, Lynn Morris, CBHF Chief, provided an overview and update of AB 603 (mattress flammability) legislation. The staff has completed analyzing the 60 comments received and has made recommendations. A revised draft is expected in July 2003. No decision has been made regarding preemption.

John McCormack, CBHF, reported on a series of bedclothing burn tests that were conducted on June 9-10. Several video clips were shown to aid in the descriptions of the test results. A short discussion on the observations and possible hazards to consider ensued.

The discussion then turned to the test method in the draft TB 604 rulemaking language. Topics covered in the discussion included possible fabric selection criteria, possible product category exclusions, various costs involved, and durability issues.

The group plans to have a test matrix completed in July and will meet in the Los Angeles area on Tuesday, August 19, 2003. CBHF plans to publish a draft and begin rulemaking and open comment by the end of August.

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CA Bedding Flammability Task Force Meeting
July 1, 2003
ATMI, Washington, DC

Expected Attendees:

Name	Organization	Task Force Member?
1. Lynn Morris	BHFTI	Yes
2. John McCormack	BHFTI	Yes
3. Michele Wallace	Cotton Incorporated	Yes
4. John Taylor	Westpoint Stevens	Yes
5. Phil Wakelyn	NCC	Yes
6. Bob Barker	AFMA	Yes
7. Gary Rawlings	Vita	Yes
8. Gordon Damant	SPSC	Yes
9. Charlie Burton	Solutia	Yes
10. Bret Bement	Solutia	Yes
11. Steve Uretsky	Allied Feather and Down	Yes
12. Dick Gann	NIST	
13. Tom Ohlemiller	NIST	
14. Joe McFadyen	Wellman	Yes
15. Kathryn Davison	Crossill	
16. Patty Adair	ATMI	Yes
17. Robert DuPree	ATMI	
18. Steve Wolf	Jones Fibers	Yes
19. Audrey Thompson	DuPont	
20. Bud Younts	DuPont	
21. Don Salsbury	DuPont Textiles & Interiors	
22. Jim Hendrix	Jim Hendrix Consulting	Yes
23. Robert Sawwell	Foss Manufacturing	
24. E. Linwood Wright	Dan River Inc	Yes

25. Bob Stoner	Springs Industries	Yes
26. Jeff Vercellone	Mitsui Textile Corp.	Yes
27. Lou Peters	PFA	Yes
28. James Dean	Zoltek	Yes
29. Alan Handermann	Basofil	
30. Ed Burnett	TexTech	Yes
31. Nelson Homma	Tomen	
32. Hiroshi Yenenaga	Tomen	
33. Sean Oberle	Product Safety Letter	
34. Allyson Tenney	CPSC	
35. Margaret Neily	CPSC	
36. Terry Karels	CPSC	
37. Dale Ray	CPSC	
38. Gail Stafford	CPSC	
39. Ed Krawiec	CPSC	
40. Karen Suhr	NASFM	
41. Tom Weekes	UL	
42. Magnus Bjork	IKEA	Yes
43. Frank Land	Basofil	
44. Sam Masuda	Mitsui	
45. Yoshi Nakahori	Mitsui	


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Bedclothing Task Force Meeting – Tuesday, July 1, 2003

American Textile Manufacturers Institute (ATMI)
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 Washington, D.C.

Directions to ATMI are available on their website, www.atmi.org - under "about ATMI".

Purpose: To review the draft TB 604 rulemaking language for the bedclothing test standard.

Potential Attendees:

Lynn Morris, BHFTI Chief
 John McCormack, BHFTI R & D Manager
 Patty Adair, ATMI
 Bob Barker, AfIMA
 Gary Rawlings, Vita Nonwovens
 Pamela Williams, CA Retailer's Assoc.
 John Taylor, Westpoint Stevens
 Steve Wolf, Jones Fiber Products
 Jeff Vercellone, Kaneka/Mitsui Textiles
 Steve Uretsky, Allied Feather (for HFPA)

Gordon Damant, Sleep Products Safety Council
 Bob Stoner, Springs Industries
 Charlie Burton, Solutia
 Linwood Wright, Dan River
 Joe McFadyen, Wellman
 Tom Weekes, Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc.
 Lou Peters, PFA
 Herman Stone, PFA Consultant
 Michelle Wallace, Cotton, Inc.

AGENDA

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** Patty Adair, ATMI
2. **Overview by Bureau Chief:** Lynn Morris
3. **AB 603 Update:** Lynn Morris
 - Changes to the language and 15 day notice
 - Application for the exemption to the federal preemption
4. **Report on Bedclothing Burn Test, June 9 and 10, 2003–** John McCormack
5. **Major Issues - All**
 - Co-relation between small scale tests and full scale tests
 - Costs
 - Durability
 - Loose filling materials – test criteria
6. **Timeline for Rulemaking:** All
7. **Action Items:** All
8. **Adjourn**

Mission of the Task Force

- To assist the Bureau in finding ways to craft bedclothing standards that are reasonable, maintain consumer protection, and are not unduly burdensome to the industry,
- To provide helpful information, reactions, and data from industry stakeholders that assist the Bureau staff to view the "whole picture" while developing the regulations,
- To share preliminary information, working documents, and test data related to the Bureau's draft standards,
- To provide a forum that encourages transparency in the regulatory development process,
- To encourage regulatory development that is both inclusive and cooperative with all stakeholders, and
- To provide a forum that is open to the public as well as industry.