

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

SUBJECT: Meeting of ASTM Infant Bath Seats Task Group

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CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Celestine T Kish, ESHF; Ian Hall, LSM; Keysha Walker, EXC.

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Paul Ware, Sub-committee/Task Group chair; Tony Paolo; Jim Pesaturo; Ken Walsh; Don Huber; Piyush Shah; Veronica Carpani; Michelle Corrigan; Laxmi Ravikumar; Meredith Thomas; Lisa Trofe; and Sean Oberlin. This may not be a complete list, please contact ASTM for non-CPSC attendees.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Paul Ware (subcommittee/task group chair) started the conference call by stating there were two issues that the task group was going to discuss. 1) Soap solution and 2) Test fixture drawings. One Task Group (TG) member shared a spreadsheet of the common baby washes available on the common market. The spreadsheet provided a formula breakdown for those products for which it was known. The problem for the TG is that the soap solution in the standard is no longer available and it is difficult to acquire the

individual ingredients to make the solution. CPSC staff indicated that based on testing experience, any common off-the-shelf baby wash is acceptable. The TG decided two specific common-brand baby washes will be referenced in the standard and the words "or equivalent" will be added. Draft ballot language will be presented before the next TG meeting. The second issue related to the test fixture figures in the standard. Through a series of discussions prior to this TG call, CPSC staff and TG members agreed that the figures were not specific enough and therefore, need to be re-drawn adding more details regarding where to measure. Prior to the meeting, draft drawings were sent to the TG. TG made minor recommendations/changes to the drawings and agreed the drawings were ready to be added to the update recommendations and balloted. Before the meeting was adjourned, one TG member raised a new issue he wanted to discuss related to the use of the inclinometer and aluminum bar used in section 7.4.2. He is concerned that the 12° measurement is not a true reflection of the seat tilting, but is more the aluminum bar bending. He suggests using a more solid bar. He has a video showing the differences in testing between the metal bar and the aluminum bar and asked the meeting coordinator to share with the TG. The TG will get the video before the next meeting. The TG was also advised that a German company appears to be selling on-line a Safety First Bath Ring, which may not meet the current standard. The group questioned how this was possible. CPSC staff will look into this product. The TG is planning to meet again within the next week, a meeting will be set up soon. The meeting adjourned.