LOG OF MEETING DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Meeting of the ANSI Z535.7 Subcommittee on Warnings in Electronic Media

DATE OF MEETING: May 26, 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Virtual/Teleconference

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Tim Smith (ESHF)

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Tim Smith (ESHF)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Contact ANSI for attendee list

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

This meeting of the ANSI Z535.7 Subcommittee was led by the Chair of the subcommittee, Eric Boelhouwer. The meeting was one in a series of recurring, monthly subcommittee meetings to develop a new ANSI Z535-series warning standard for electronic media.

During the meeting, the subcommittee discussed the current draft of the Z535.7 standard; specifically, the "Message Content" and "Methods of Indicating Safety Messages" sections. The current draft includes guidance on how to present certain elements of safety messages, such as signal words and typical Z535-style formatting, but also does not require the use of these elements. CPSC staff questioned whether the standard should provide guidance on circumstances in which the safety message *should* include those elements. However, the subcommittee stated that many of the media covered by the standard allow for the presentation of safety information in other forms, such as audio or video, so the intent is to provide a lot of flexibility.

The subcommittee agreed to continue its discussion of the draft standard, starting with the section on "Appearance," at its next monthly meeting.