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SUBJECT: ASTM F15.19 Wearable Infant Blankets Warnings Development Task Group

DATE OF MEETING: September 26, 2022

PLACE OF MEETING: Virtual (teleconference)

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Khalisa Phillips

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: (*participated virtually*) Suad Wanna-Nakamura (HSPP), Khalisa Phillips (ESHF)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Contact ASTM for attendee list.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Ballot Results: None

The task group lead, Jessica Doyle, shared draft warning and labeling language for the proposed ASTM standard and walked members through the progress to date. The warning language came from an analysis of possible hazards identified in the incident data. Members discussed keeping warnings on care tags/on-product labels as brief as possible, stating that more detailed usage instructions can be provided on a package or hang tag at the point-of-sale. The stated reason was to avoid over-warning and because they anticipate translating care tags into multiple languages. One statement the task group added to the care tag is “Do not use if baby’s head can pass through head opening.” Another suggestion is to include a statement about discontinuing use if baby feels warm to the touch. Another topic that came up was TOG (a measure of thermal resistance); while members recommend requiring testing for TOG, they recommended against mandating TOG labeling on products. A member questioned how accurate TOG testing is for classifying products within high, medium, and low ranges. The task group suggested that this approach could prevent the sale of thick wearable infant blankets that can pose a suffocation hazard, while not adding to the list of mandatory labeling requirements for such products. A discussion of fabric/textile properties followed and how various materials (such as wool), conditioning, compressibility/shipping and fill materials can all impact TOG testing. One member is looking into various D13 standards that may contain size and garment dimension recommendations for wearable infant blankets.