

**LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES**

SUBJECT: Meeting of the ASTM Ad Hoc Language Task Group

DATE OF MEETING: November 8, 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Virtual/Teleconference

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Tim Smith (ESHF)

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Tim Smith (ESHF), Rana Balci-Sinha (ESHF), Jacqueline Campbell (EXHR), Maureen Danskin (CRE), Jill Hurley (ESHF), Ashley Johnson (HSPP), Celestine Kish (ESHF), Stef Marques (HSPP), Suad Wanna-Nakamura (HSPP), Kristen Talcott (ESHF), and Keysha Walker (CRE)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Contact ASTM for attendee list

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

This meeting was led Kitty Pilarz, Chair of the ASTM Ad Hoc Language Task Group (“Ad Hoc Language TG”). After the approval of the agenda and previous meeting minutes, the Chair reminded attendees that the latest revision of the Ad Hoc Language TG recommendations document, Revision F (dated November 30, 2020), is posted on the ASTM website. This revision includes changes based on the last two ballots. The Chair also learned that the Toy Association website includes their interpretations of the ASTM F963 standard, and provided attendees with links to these interpretations.

For new business, the Chair asked whether the Ad Hoc Language TG recommended wording for warnings likely to be used for infants who are sleeping, but that are not intended for unattended sleep, should be revised to be consistent with recent proposed changes to a similar warning in the infant bouncer standard. The primary changes would be to state that the product is not safe for any sleep, not just unattended sleep, and to add a statement about moving a child who falls asleep in the product to a crib, bassinet, or other product intended for infant sleep. There was substantial discussion among members regarding the proposed changes, and although CPSC staff supported the proposed revision, the task group was unable to come to consensus. One member pointed out that the European standard for swings requires a warning statement about “prolonged sleep,” expressed concern about having a different warning requirement, and asked CPSC staff how the inclusion of the European label might affect the agency’s view of the product. CPSC staff is going to look into the issue. The Chair concluded, and the task group agreed, that it was premature to ballot the proposed change to the Ad Hoc Language recommendations document.