

April 5, 2023

Mr. Brian Grochal Subcommittee Chair ASTM F15.59 Children's Chairs and Stools Subcommittee ASTM International 100 Barr Harbor Dr. West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959

Re: Statement for CPSC staff's affirmative vote with a comment on ASTM Ballot F15 (23-04), Item 1

Dear Mr. Grochal:

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) staff¹ is casting an affirmative vote with a comment on the ballot for revisions to the ASTM F2613 Standard Performance Specification for Children's Chairs and Stools.

CPSC staff appreciates the Subcommittee's decision to remove "children's step stools" from the list of exemptions in the standard's scope. Staff agrees with the Subcommittee's rationale in the ballot that a folding product with a "seating use" for children should meet requirements intended to protect against pinching, shearing, and scissoring hazards, which can lead to the amputation of children's fingers.

Sincerely,

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cc: Molly Lynyak, Manager, Technical Committee Operations
Jacqueline Campbell, CPSC Voluntary Standards Coordinator

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