

## **UNITED STATES**

## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

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Mr. Marc Schoem President International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization 1120 Route 73, Suite 200 Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Dear Mr. Schoem:

As the Acting Chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), I write to notify you that the Commission is withdrawing its organizational membership from the International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization (ICPHSO). Effective immediately, CPSC is withdrawing from all roles and responsibilities defined under our existing memorandum of understanding, which will terminate 30 days from the date of this letter.

This action is being taken to avoid any actual or perceived conflicts of interest and to ensure the continued integrity and impartiality of the Commission's mission to protect the public from unreasonable risks of injury associated with consumer products. ICPHSO members and sponsors include regulated entities with business before the Commission, targets of CPSC investigations and enforcement actions, and firms that represent both. Maintaining a formal affiliation with ICPHSO blurs the boundary between CPSC's public safety mission and private sector influence. The American people deserve to know that the agency's enforcement priorities are set by data, law, and the public interest—and nothing else. No external entity should be perceived as having behind-the-scenes access or influence over how, when, or why we act.

CPSC appreciates the work ICPHSO has done over the years to promote dialogue and collaboration among consumer product safety stakeholders. While CPSC will no longer be affiliated with your organization, the agency remains committed to advancing product safety through open communication and engagement in a manner consistent with existing ethical obligations and statutory responsibilities.

Sincerely,

Peter A. Feldman Acting Chairman

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission