

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING April 5, 1995 4330 East West Highway Bethesda, Maryland

The April 5, 1995, meeting of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission was convened in open session by Chairman Ann Brown. Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall was present.

Agenda Item: 1995 Mid-Year Review

The Commission was briefed by the Executive Director and staff on the status of fiscal year (FY) 1995 funds, programs, and projects and on proposed operating plan changes and funding proposals for the balance of the fiscal year. These matters were detailed in a briefing package from the Executive Director dated March 29, 1995, consisting of a briefing memorandum addressing mid-year review issues and five attachments: (1) Attachment A, Resource Summary, (2) Attachment B, Program/Project Status, (3) Attachment C, New Work Project Initiative, (4) Attachment D, Modifications and Special Initiatives - Executive Director's Recommendations, and (5) Attachment E, Additional Modifications and Special Initiatives.

Following the staff briefing and after questions and discussion by Commissioners, the Commission moved to a vote on the proposed 1995 operating plan revisions and special funding initiatives.

Chairman Brown moved to approve the proposals for allocation of agency resources for the balance of FY 1995 as detailed in the staff's briefing package of March 29, 1995. This motion failed on a vote of 1-1, with Chairman Brown voting in favor and Commissioner Gall voting against.

Commissioner Gall moved to approve the staff's mid-year review recommendations with specified deletions:

at Attachment C, delete the new project initiative on bicycle reflectors;

at Attachment D, delete Compliance: State and Local Funds for testing flammable skirts and futons; Consumer Information: Video News Releases, Public Service Announcement, and additional Travel funds; and EEO: contract funds; and

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at Attachment E, delete Hazard Assessment and Reduction: Poison Prevention; Information and Technology Improvements: Video Link to Labs, Hotline Improvements, and A/V Improvements; and Field: Regional Meetings.

Commissioner Gall's motion also specified that available funds from deleted projects in Attachments C and D will be applied to projects outlined on Attachment E, as edited with deletions made.

The motion offered by Commissioner Gall failed on a vote of 1-1, with Commissioner Gall voting in favor and Chairman Brown voting in dissent.

On motion of Chairman Brown, the Commission then voted unanimously (2-0) to accept all projects or activities from Attachment B, Attachment D, and Attachment E on which there is consensus as reflected in the two prior motions.

Chairman Brown noted that the Executive Director, in his briefing memorandum on the mid-year review, requested the Commission's concurrence in moving forward with funding of additional activities if additional funds become available. Chairman Brown stated confirmation, and Commissioner Gall concurred, that the Commission is in agreement with the Executive Director's request to use Attachment E for those projects where there is agreement to fund those items which would have the greatest benefit to carrying out the Commission's mission.

There being no further business on the agenda, Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting.

For the Commission:

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