

## U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20207

Record of Commission Action Commissioners Voting by Ballot\*

Commissioners Voting:

Chairman Hal Stratton

Commissioner Thomas H. Moore Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall

## <u>ITEM</u>:

E&B Giftware, LLC, \$100,000: Civil Penalty Settlement (Briefing package dated December 31, 2003, OS No. 3077)

## **DECISION:**

The Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to provisionally accept a Settlement Agreement and Order, which would order E&B Giftware, LLC to pay a civil penalty of \$100,000. The Commission Compliance staff has alleged that E&B failed to timely report to the Commission that the candles could burn consumer by flaring up and releasing superheated wax. E&B violated the reporting requirements of section 15(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. § 2064(b). The failure to furnish information required by section 15(b) is a prohibited act under section 19(a)(4) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2068(a)(4). Section 20(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069(a)(1), permits the imposition of civil penalties for any person who knowingly violates section 19 of the CPSA by a company's failure to report information under section 15(b).

For the Commission:

Todd A. Stevenson

Secretary

<sup>\*</sup> Ballot vote due January 13, 2004