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MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING  
April 11, 1997  
4330 East West Highway  
Bethesda, Maryland

The April 11, 1997, meeting of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission was convened at 10:00 a.m., in open session by Chairman Ann Brown. Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall and Commissioner Thomas H. Moore were present.

Ballot Vote Decisions. The following decisions made by ballot vote of the Commissioners were placed into the record.

1. Options for the Project on Child-Resistant Packaging of Household Products Containing Petroleum Distillates and Other Hydrocarbons (Ballot due 2/18/97)

The Commission voted 2-1 to publish an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR) on child-resistant packaging of household products containing petroleum distillates and other hydrocarbons. Voting to approve was Chairman Ann Brown and Commissioner Thomas H. Moore. Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall voted to direct the staff to develop a "Request for Information" for Federal Register publication and to utilize other available information sources instead of an ANPR, and filed a statement regarding this matter, copy attached.

2. Notice of Public Hearing on Commission's Agenda, Priorities and Draft Strategic Plan (Ballot due 3/5/97)

The Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to approve a Federal Register notice announcing a public hearing on May 13, 1997 concerning the Commission's Agenda and Priorities for fiscal year 1999 and its Draft Strategic Plan for submission to Congress September 30, 1997.

3. April Regulatory Agenda (Ballot due 3/6/97)

The Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to approve the Commission's semi-annual regulatory flexibility agenda and agenda of regulatory actions the Commission expects to be under development or review by the agency during the next year.

Ballot Vote Decisions, continued

4. Draft Letter of Denial--Petition HP 95-1 Requesting Development of a Rule to Require Youth Batting Helmets to be Manufactured with a Faceguard (Ballot due 3/21/97)

The Commission voted 2-1 to approve with changes the draft letter of Commission denial of Petition HP 95-1, from the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. Chairman Ann Brown and Commissioner Thomas H. Moore voted to approve the letter. Commissioner Gall voted not to approve and filed a statement regarding this matter, copy attached.

5. Extension of "No PD" Program, (OS# 3932) (Ballot due 3/24/97)

The Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to extend on a permanent basis the "No PD" program, begun in August 1995, under which the Compliance staff will under certain circumstances refrain from making a preliminary hazard determination.

Agenda Item: 1997 Midyear Review

The Commission was briefed by the Executive Director on the status of fiscal year (FY) 1997 resources and projects and on proposals for adjustments in the agency's operating plan for the balance of the fiscal year. These matters were detailed in a briefing package from the Executive Director dated April 4, 1997.

Following brief discussion, the Commission decided to proceed at today's meeting to a vote on the proposed revisions to the FY 1997 operating plan.

On motion of Chairman Brown, the Commission voted unanimously (3-0) to approve the proposals for the allocation of agency resources as detailed in Attachment B of the staff briefing package of April 4, 1997. The Executive Director will keep the Commission apprised of the progress of the approved proposals and of new funding proposals should additional funds become available by year end.

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

For the Commission



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Secretary