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MINUTES OF COMMISSION MEETING
October 26, 2006

Acting Chairman Nancy A. Nord convened the October 26, 2006, 10:00 a.m., meeting of the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in open session. Commissioner Thomas H. Moore was present.

AGENDA ITEM: Portable Generators Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR)

Acting Chairman Nord made an opening statement. The Commission received a briefing from Janet Buyer, Project Manager for Portable Generators for the Directorate for Engineering and Barbara Parisi, Office of General Counsel, on the staff's recommendation to initiate rulemaking to pursue additional regulatory options by publishing an ANPR for public comment. The ANPR would address rulemaking, including establishing mandatory generator performance standards, and non-regulatory options such as information and education campaigns, a private sector consortium and other potential approaches. The staff responded to questions from Acting Chairman Nord and Commissioner Moore.

On motion of the Acting Chairman and seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Commission voted unanimously (2-0) to instruct the staff to prepare a draft ANPR (for publication in the *Federal Register*) in accordance with the staff recommendation for consideration by the Commission. The Acting Chairman noted that there is no need for the previously scheduled November 2, decision meeting and instructed the Secretary to delete it from the Public Calendar.

There being no further business on the agenda, Acting Chairman Nord adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

For the Commission:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd A. Stevenson".

Todd A. Stevenson
Secretary to the Commission