Vision Statement

We are agents of positive change striving for continuous improvements in our agency’s management and program operations.

Statement of Principles

We will:

Work with the Commission and Congress to improve program management;

Maximize the positive impact and ensure the independence and objectivity of our audits, investigations, and other reviews;

Use our investigations and other reviews to increase Government integrity and recommend improved systems to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse;

Be innovative, question existing procedures, and suggest improvements;

Build relationships with program managers based on a shared commitment to improving program operations and effectiveness;

Strive to continually improve the quality and usefulness of our products; and

Work together to address Government-wide issues.
June 15, 2018

TO: Ann Marie Buerkle, Acting Chairman
    Robert S. Adler, Commissioner
    Elliot F. Kaye, Commissioner
    Dana Baiocco, Commissioner

FROM: Christopher W. Dentel, Inspector General

SUBJECT: Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2017

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008 requires that the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission annually provide to the appropriate congressional committees, the findings, conclusions, and recommendations from its reviews and audits performed under section 205 of the CPSIA. The attached report fulfills this requirement.

Please feel free to contact me if you or your staff has any questions or concerns.
Executive Summary

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA) of 2008 requires that the Office of Inspector General (OIG) of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) annually report the findings, conclusions, and recommendations from its reviews and audits performed under section 205 of the CPSIA, as well as employee complaints fitting the definitions set forth in section 205(b) of the CPSIA to the appropriate congressional committees.

This year’s report focuses on the CPSC’s efforts to meet the requirement of the Federal Information Security Modernization Act in fiscal year (FY) 2017.

Report Summary

Federal Information Security Modernization Act (Click here for the full report)

The Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA) requires each federal agency to develop, document, and implement an agency-wide program to provide information security for the information and information systems that support the operations and assets of the agency. It also requires that the relevant Office of Inspector General perform an annual assessment of the agency’s compliance with FISMA.

The OIG contracted with Richard S. Carson & Associates, Inc. (Carson), a management consulting firm, to perform a review of the CPSC’s compliance with the FISMA reporting requirements for FY 2017. The review was performed in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Quality Standards for Inspections and Evaluations (QSIE). The review focused on the CPSC’s compliance with the FISMA metrics provided by the Department of Homeland Security and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in support of OMB Memorandum M-18-02.

Carson found that the CPSC was not compliant with all of FISMA’s requirements. However, the CPSC was making progress in implementing many of the FISMA requirements. Carson identified 13 findings and made 46 recommendations to improve the CPSC’s information security posture.

Employee Complaints

No complaints fitting the definitions set forth in section 205(b) of the CPSIA have been filed with this office during FY 2017.
CONTACT US

If you want to confidentially report or discuss any instance of misconduct, fraud, waste, abuse, or mismanagement involving CPSC’s programs and operations, please contact the CPSC Office of Inspector General.

Call: Inspector General's HOTLINE:  301-504-7906
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