U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Meeting between Chairman Tenenbaum, Chairman's Staff, Commissioner Adler, Commissioner Adler’s Staff and members of ROHVA

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LOCATION: Hearing room, CPSC Headquarters

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Chairman Inez Tenenbaum, Commissioner Robert Adler, Matt Howsare, Jason Levine, Jana Fong-Swamidoss, Dottie Lee, Robert Howell, Mark Kumagai, Caroleene Paul

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S):
Paul Vitrano - EVP, ROHVA
Kathy Van Kleeck - SVP, Government Relations, ROHVA
Duane Taylor - Director, Federal Affairs, ROHVA
Stacy Bogard - General Counsel, Polaris Industries
Jan Rintamaki - Director, Government Relations, Polaris Industries
Jeff Eyres - Assistant General Counsel, Polaris Industries
Brett Gass - Senior Staff Engineer, Polaris Industries
Aaron Deckard - Senior Project Engineer, Polaris Industries
Erika Jones - Mayer Brown, outside counsel to Polaris Industries
Brad Franklin - Manager, Government Relations, Yamaha Motor Corp., U.S.A.
Brian Gabel - Counsel, Yamaha Motor Corp., U.S.A.
David Murray - Wilkie Farr & Gallagher, outside counsel to Yamaha Motor Corp., U.S.A.
SUMMARY OF MEETING: ROHVA members gave a presentation (attached) to Chairman Tenenbaum and Commissioner Adler in which they demonstrated the progress they have made to date in developing the ANSI/ROHVA voluntary standard. A brief discussion followed where the Chairman and Commissioner Adler raised the three general concerns of CPSC’s technical experts about the new ROHVA standard: the rigor of ROHVA’s lateral stability test, the lack of an understeering requirement, and inadequate occupant protection system requirements. The Chairman and Commissioner Adler briefly asked questions of ROHVA members concerning the presentation and the new standard. The Chairman and Commissioner Adler also noted that the Commission continues working on its mandatory standard. Chairman Tenenbaum concluded the meeting by recognizing that certain companies in attendance at the meeting manufactured ROVs that far exceeded the requirements of the ROHVA standard and encouraged these companies to continue working through the voluntary standards process to significantly strengthen the ROHVA standard to meet the level of safety that their products already provide and that CPSC staff believe should be attained.