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Log of MeetingSubject: Injuries Related to Slips and FallsDate of Meeting: March 10, 1999Place: CPSC Headquarters, Bethesda, MDLog Entry Source: Jacqueline Elder, EXHRDate of Entry: March 30, 1999Commission Attendees:
Jacqueline Elder, EXHR
Mary Ann Danello, EH
Nick Marchica, ES
Bob Ochsman, ES
George Rutherford, EH
George Sushinsky, LSNon-Commission Attendees: Russell Kendzior, Executive Director,
National Floor Safety InstituteSummary of Meeting:

Mr. Kendzior requested the meeting to discuss same level slips and falls. Mr. Kendzior had requested injury data for slips and falls from CPSC's National Injury Information Clearinghouse and contracted with researchers at the University of Texas to analyze the data. He presented an analysis of the CPSC data as well as data from other sources. He noted that slips and falls are a serious problem especially for the elderly and suggested voluntary product testing and labeling to inform consumers about the ability of different products (e.g., flooring materials, floor care products, footwear) to prevent slips and falls. His organization, the National Floor Safety Institute, is pursuing product labeling, education, and research.