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SUBJECT: New ASTM Activity on Baby Changing Tables

DATE OF MEETING: March 13, 2000

PLACE OF MEETING: ASTM Headquarters, West Chonshocken, PA

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Mark Kumagai, ESME *MK*

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Mark Kumagai, ESME, Colin Church, EXHR

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Attendee	Affiliation
Azzara, Drew	ASTM
Blair, John	DuPont Co.
Braugman, Bill	Bird-in-Hand Woodworks
Cowan, Margie	Consumer
Freitag, Werner	Consumer Reports
Galbreath, John	The Bright Ideas Co.
Hommel, David	Bird-in-Hand Woodworks
Locker, Fredrick	Locker, Greenberg & Brainin
Roby, Michael	Rubbermaid Commercial Prod.
Waller, Robert	JPMA
Wente, Tim	Stevens Industries, Inc.
Zazenski, Jim	Koala Corp.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The meeting on the proposed new ASTM activity on Baby Changing Tables was called to order with self-introductions or the attendees. ASTM staff chaired the meeting. The objective was to bring industry experts, government and consumers together, identify specific standards needs and develop a committee structure to accomplish the objectives. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) staff requested ASTM to develop a standard to address falls from the table, structural integrity and stability. Members of the Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association (JPMA) proposed an information and education campaign instead of a standard. This would consist of informational literature for proper use, inserted with the product, and at the point of display.

Several attendees were manufacturers of commercial changing tables that are used in day care centers, or in public rest rooms. These tables are usually designed for use with a restraining strap and are capable of carrying a heavier occupant. The residential changing tables are lighter

and have a barrier, with or without a strap or no barriers with a strap. The attendees discussed the differences between residential and commercial changing tables and agreed that the products can not be addressed in a single standard. The attendees agreed that a standard for commercial changing tables would contain more stringent structural requirements than for a residential changing table. The group agreed to develop a standard for residential changing tables and a task group was formed to investigate developing a separate standard for commercial changing tables.

A draft standard was distributed to start the development process. JPMA will distribute the draft to JPMA members that manufacture changing tables and select a chairman. A conference call will be held before the October 2000, ASTM meetings on juvenile products. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 P.