



U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

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Record of Commission Action
Commissioners Voting by Ballot*

Commissioners Voting: Chairman Inez M. Tenenbaum
 Commissioner Nancy A. Nord
 Commissioner Anne M. Northup
 Commissioner Robert S. Adler

ITEM:

Haier America Trading, LLC- Proposed Civil Penalty Settlement of \$850,000
(Briefing package dated September 6, 2012, OS No. 3187)

DECISION:

The Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to provisionally accept the Settlement Agreement and Order, which would require Haier America Trading, LLC (Haier) of New York, NY, to pay a civil penalty of \$850,000, as specified. The provisional Settlement Agreement and Final Order will be announced in a *Federal Register* Notice. The Commission's Office of the General Counsel Compliance Division staff negotiated the proposed agreement to settle staff allegations that Haier knowingly failed to report in a timely manner under section 15(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. § 2064(b), a defect and hazard in its Commercial Style 500 Watt Blenders, in violation of section 19(a)(4) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2068(a)(4). Section 20(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069(a)(1), permits the imposition of civil penalties for any person who knowingly violates section 19 of the CPSA by a company's failure to report information under section 15(b).

For the Commission:

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

Todd A. Stevenson
Secretary

*Ballot vote due September 12, 2012