## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

CPSC Docket No: 12-1 CPSC Docket No: 12-2	
	HON. DEAN C. METRY Administrative Law Judge CPSC Docket No: 13-2

## ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE

On January 7, 2013, counsel for the Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC" or "Agency") filed Complaint Counsel's Motion for Continuance of Prehearing Telephone Conference Call Scheduled for January 10, 2013 ("Motion"). In the Motion, the Agency explained, inter alia, that on December 27, 2012, counsel for Maxfield and Oberton Holdings, LLC filed a Notice of Withdrawal from the instant proceeding. The Agency asserted that Maxfield and Oberton has not provided any further information regarding its intentions, and, as such, requested a continuance to clarify the precise status of Respondent Maxfield and Oberton.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pursuant to 16 C.F.R. §1025.23(c), Respondents have ten (10) days to respond to the Motion. However, in light of the approaching conference date, the undersigned is ruling on the Motion.

The Agency further noted that the Motion to Consolidate CPSC Docket No. 12-1 and 12-2 with CPSC Docket No. 13-2 is currently pending before Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge Parlen L. McKenna.<sup>2</sup> The Agency asserted that "[r]esolution of [this] motion before proceeding with the scheduled prehearing conference would facilitate a more efficient establishment of discovery schedules...". Last, the Agency explained that it plans to file a motion to amend the complaint against Respondent Zen Magnets, LLC.

In light of the uncertain status of Maxfield and Oberton Holdings, LLC and the pending Motion before Judge McKenna, the undersigned finds that a brief delay in the pre-hearing conference is warranted.

The Agency's Motion for Continuance of Pre-Hearing Conference is **GRANTED.** 

SO ORDERED.

Done and dated this  $8^{\text{th}}$  day of January, 2013, at Galveston, TX

DEAN C. METRY Administrative Law Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On December 29, 2012, Judge McKenna issued a Scheduling Order for Respondents to Respond to Agency's Motion to Consolidate CPSC Docket Numbers 12-1/12-2 and 13-2. The Order provided Respondents ten (10) days to respond to the Agency's Motion.