

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Ukraine

September 14, 2004.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 21, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection Web site at <http://www.cbp.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel Web site at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing and carryover.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 69 FR 4926, published on February 2, 2004). Also see 68 FR 69671, published on December 15, 2003.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 14, 2004.

Commissioner,
Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Washington, DC 20229

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 10, 2003, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain wool textile products, produced or manufactured in Ukraine and exported during the twelve-

month period which began on January 1, 2004 and extends through December 31, 2004.

Effective on September 21, 2004, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
435	108,458 dozen.
442	18,750 dozen.
444	13,601 numbers.
448	81,253 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2003.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Friday, October 1, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Friday, October 8, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Friday, October 15, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Friday, October 22, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Friday, October 29, 2004.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Surveillance Matters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 04-C0006]

Battat Incorporated, Provisional Acceptance of a Settlement Agreement and Order

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: It is the policy of the Commission to publish settlements which it provisionally accepts under the Consumer Product Safety Act in the **Federal Register** in accordance with the terms of 16 CFR 1118.20(e). Published below is a provisionally-accepted Settlement Agreement with Battat Incorporated, containing a civil penalty of \$125,000.

DATES: Any interested person may ask the Commission not to accept this agreement or otherwise comment on its contents by filing a written request with the Office of the Secretary by October 5, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment on this Settlement Agreement should send written comments to the Comment 04-C0006, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle Faust Gillice, Trial Attorney, Office of Compliance, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-7667.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Agreement and Order appears below.

Dated: September 13, 2004.

Todd A. Stevenson,
Secretary.

Settlement Agreement and Order

1. Battat Incorporated (hereinafter "Battat" or "Respondent") enters into this Settlement Agreement and Order (hereinafter, "Settlement Agreement" or "Agreement") with the staff of the Consumer Product Safety Commission (the "Commission"), and agrees to the entry of the attached Order incorporated by reference herein. The Settlement Agreement resolves the Commission staff's allegations set forth below.

I. The Parties

2. The Commission is an independent federal regulatory commission responsible for the enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA"), 15 U.S.C. 2051-2084.

3. Respondent was incorporated on December 30, 1981. It is organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Its principal office is located at 44 Martina Circle, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. Respondent manufactures games, toys and children's vehicles.

II. Staff Allegations

4. Between November 2001 and January 2003 (one month prior to the Commission's request for a full report under section 15(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b)), Respondent manufactured and distributed approximately 300,000 toys called the "Bee Bop Band Drum Set" ("drum sets"). The drum sets are intended and labeled for children eighteen months and up. The drum sets contain several musical objects including a pair of ten inch long drumsticks shaped like centipedes. The drumsticks are the subject of this Settlement Agreement and Order.

5. The drum sets were produced and distributed for sale to consumers for use in or around a permanent or temporary household or residence, a school, in recreation, or otherwise and are therefore, "consumer products" as defined in section 3(a)(1) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(1). Respondent was a "manufacturer" of the drum sets which were "distributed in commerce" as those terms are defined in sections 3(a)(4), (11) and (12) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(4), (11) and (12).

6. The drumsticks contained in the Bee Bop Band Drum Set are defective because the rubber end cap, the screw affixing some end caps and the ball tip could break off or detach during use. These pieces are of a size that present choking and aspiration hazards and fit into the "small parts" test cylinder specified in 16 CFR 1501.4.

7. The drumsticks are defective and could create a substantial product hazard under the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b)(2) because the parts may present choking and aspiration hazards to small children. Further, the drumsticks created an unreasonable risk of serious injury or death under the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b)(3).

8. While the drum sets when subjected to "use and abuse" tests of 16 CFR 1500(51) & (52) (conducted on behalf of Respondent, Respondent's retail customers, and the Commission) did not produce small parts, the

drumsticks produced small parts in actual use by young children.

9. Between November 2001 and January 2003, Respondent received over 330 complaints from consumers that either the end cap, the screw, or the tip detached from the drumstick. There were no injuries reported.

10. Respondent modified the product six times between the aforementioned dates in an attempt to eliminate the end cap, screw, and ball tip failures.

11. By the time Respondent modified the drumsticks by adding screws to affix the rubber end caps on May 24, 2002, it had received at least 45 consumer complaints concerning the small parts problem. Certainly by this point in time, Respondent had obtained information which reasonably supported the conclusion that the drumsticks were defective and could create a substantial product hazard or created an unreasonable risk of serious injury or death, but failed to report such information in a timely manner to the Commission as required by sections 15(b)(2) and (3) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b)(2), (3).

12. On February 6, 2003, after receiving notice of 25 incidents, the Commission requested that Respondent submit a full report pursuant to section 15(b) of the CPSA. Respondent did so on February 25, 2003.

13. By failing to furnish information to the Commission in a timely manner as required by section 15(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b), Respondent violated section 19(a)(4) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2068(a)(4).

14. Respondent committed this failure to report to the Commission "knowingly" as the term "knowingly" is defined in section 20(d) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069(d), thus, subjecting Respondent to civil penalties under section 20 of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2069.

III. Response of Battat Incorporated

15. Respondent denies the staff's allegations that the drumsticks are defective and that it violated the CPSA as set forth in paragraphs 4 through 14.

16. The drum set, manufactured by Respondent's subcontractor, was tested by third party testing facilities for the presence of small parts under the testing requirements set forth in the Commission's regulations at 16 CFR 1501 in each of the subcontractor's 167 individual shipments for the years 2002 through April 2004. A single failure of the test for small parts would have resulted in the rejection of the entire lot. At no time did the testing of the drumsticks produce small parts.