

STATEMENT OF THE HONORABLE THOMAS H. MOORE  
ON A PETITION FOR A LABELING AMENDMENT TO BLASTING CAPS  
November 30, 2006

I am voting today to approve a Federal Register notice on the petition for a labeling amendment relating to blasting caps. I will register my usual protest about the ballot and the Federal Register Notice having been marked "For Official Use Only" (thus restricting it from public view until after Commission action) without any analysis of whether such a restrictive designation is necessary. In this case, the restricted documents consist of a blank ballot vote sheet, a publicly available petition and a Federal Register notice that asks for public comments on that petition. Such documents have been unrestricted for most of the Commission's history and there is no reason to change that long-standing policy. For a fuller discussion of this issue, see my statement on the carpet and rug standard amendments, dated October 31, 2006.