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SUBJECT: The Textile Industry's Economic Impact Study of CPSC's Draft Regulation on Upholstered Furniture Flammability

DATE OF MEETING: February 6, 2001

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Patsy Semple, Special Assistant, COMG

DATE OF LOG ENTRY: February 9, 2001

LOCATION: CPSC Headquarters Building

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Commissioner Mary Sheila Gall, Dennis Wilson, Patsy Semple (Special Assistants, COMG)

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Mr. Robert Berkley, CEO of Weave Corporation and Chairman of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute (ATMI) Upholstery Fabrics Committee; Dr. Robert Barker, Vice-President, American Fiber Manufacturers Association; Dr. Phil Wakelyn, Senior Scientist, National Cotton Council; Mr. Cary Kravet, President of Kravet Fabrics, Inc.; Mr. Crans Baldwin, Bergamo Fabrics and President of the Decorative Fabrics Association (DFA); Mr. Richard Taffet counsel to the DFA and the Coalition of Converters of Decorative Fabrics; Ms. Patty Adair, Assistant Director of Textile Products and Standards, ATMI

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Purpose of meeting was to provide a presentation of the report "An Economic Analysis of the Draft Small Open-Flame Regulation of Upholstered Furniture" authored by Glassman-Oliver Economic Consultants, Inc. This cost-benefit study was prepared at the request of ATMI, the Decorative Fabrics Association, the American Fiber Manufacturers Association, the Cotton Council, the Coalition of Converters of Decorative Fabrics, and the American Society of Interior Designers. The report had three parts: it evaluated CPSC's analysis of the proposed rule as contained in the 1997 briefing package; it surveyed the costs to the textile industry and provided an estimate of costs to consumers.

This group had met with CPSC staff earlier to go over the results of the report. CPSC staff disagreed with the methodology used in their benefits analysis and questioned some of the estimated cost. CPSC staff will provide any comments or questions to ATMI in writing so that they may be addressed as soon as possible and be included in the rulemaking.