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SUBJECT: National Electrical Code, NFPA 70, National Fire Protection Assoc. (NFPA) Technical Committee Report

DATE OF MEETING: May 14-17, 2001

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: William H. King, Jr., ES Worth

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LOCATION: Anaheim, CA

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): William H. King, Jr., ES

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J. Philip Simmons, IAEI
Paul Dobrowsky, Eastman Kodak Co.
Donald Zipse, Zipse Electrical Engineering Inc.
and other members of the National Electrical Code Committee

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Mr. King attended the meetings of the NFPA Electrical Section at the NFPA Fire Safety Congress, and the meeting of the NFPA Technical Committee for NFPA 70, the National Electrical Code (NEC). Revisions to the current edition of the NEC were discussed. Copies of the NFPA 70 Report on Proposals, and NFPA 70 Report on Comments are available from NFPA. The new, 2002 edition of the NEC was presented by the committee for adoption by the NFPA membership. After considering and acting on motions from the floor at the Technical Committee meeting on May 17th, the NFPA members present voted to accept the report, as amended, and adopt the new edition of the NEC.

Mr. King spoke at a meeting of the Electrical Section of NFPA on May 16th to support the code change that would require cord-connected room air conditioning units to be equipped with power cords that incorporate protective devices that respond to cord failures that have led to fire hazard conditions. CPSC staff previously submitted a written comment with regard to this matter, and several other comments with regard to other code proposals, including GFCIs, AFCIs, and appliance ratings.