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LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detectors
MEETING DATE: November 18, 1997
LOCATION: Westin Hotel - Crown Center
Kansas City, Missouri
MEETING OF: National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
Building Fire Safety Systems Section
Panel Discussion on CO Detectors
LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Elizabeth W. Leland, EC *EWL*
LOG ENTRY DATE: December 3, 1997

ATTENDEES:

PANEL MEMBERS:

CPSC

Elizabeth W. Leland, EC

NON-CPSC

Art Black, Carmel Fire Protection Associates, moderator
Pat Coughlin, International Association of Fire Chiefs
Wendy Gifford, BRK Brands/First Alert
Paul Patty, Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Approximately 50 attendees from various organizations;
no sign-in sheet was distributed.

SUMMARY:

This panel discussion was a part of the 3-day National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1997 Fall Meeting. The panel members spoke about various facets of CO detectors. Ms. Leland discussed the history of CO poisoning and CO detector activities at CPSC and the efforts that have been made by all interested parties to work together to address the hazard of CO poisoning through prevention and detection. Ms. Gifford described the types of technologies used in currently-available CO detectors, and Mr. Coughlin described the training programs being held by the International Association of Fire Chiefs to inform the fire services about the ways to determine the presence and sources of CO when a CO detector sounds. Mr. Patty closed the formal panel comments by discussing the changes that will be effective October 1, 1998 to the UL 2034 standard for residential CO detectors.

A brief question-and-answer session concluded the panel discussion.