

LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Clothes Dryer Issues

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Wayne Morris, Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers (AHAM)

John Pallanti, UL

SUMMARY:

The meeting was called by UL to discuss the status of the CPSC Clothes Dryer Project. Inquiries were about the types of testing done at the CPSC lab. Sheela Kadambi stated that the engineering analysis of the information that was gathered under the various aspects of the Clothes Dryer Project was not complete and therefore could not yet be discussed. Ms. Kadambi provided a brief overview of the project and the work that had been completed to date. This included a summary of data collected by CPSC, and description of the operational testing.

Discussion topics also included material used in transition ducting from the dryer to outside and the phenomenon of spontaneous combustion of fabrics soaked in poly-unsaturated oils, guidelines for investigating clothes dryer related incidents, and normal vs abnormal use of clothes dryers.

Gordon Gillerman invited Sheela Kadambi to visit the Underwriters Laboratories testing facilities.