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DATE: January 14, 1997, 8 AM to 5 PM

PLACE: Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, VA

ATTENDEES: UL 2117 Technical Committee

Background: This was the second meeting of the Underwriters Laboratory (UL) Technical Committee charged with developing voluntary standards for products used indoors. UL submitted a Project Initiation Notification System to ANSI for the development of indoor air emission standards. UL plans to use the ANSI balanced committee consensus method to develop its standards, referred to as UL 2117. UL invited CPSC staff to participate on the Technical Committee to develop its family of standards. In the first meeting, the Committee decided to form three work groups. Two work groups were charged with putting together standard proposals for vacuum cleaning and air cleaning devices, respectively. A third workgroup was charged with providing general standard-related guidance to the other two work groups related to scope, definitions, establishing acceptable levels, labeling issues, etc. All workgroup proposals must be approved by the Technical Committee.

Discussion: The Technical Committee was introduced to its newly appointed chairperson, Jack Hatlen, Associate Professor Emeritus, University of Washington. Issues related to Committee representation, and voting procedures were discussed. Work group updates were shared with the Technical Committee. The three work groups are in the process of defining the respective goals of their groups, and a process and timeline by which they will accomplish their tasks. The Committee also discussed the relationship between the UL effort and a development of a similar standard by NSF International. The Technical Committee decided not to meet the following day (January 15, 1997) as originally planned. UL is responsible for drafting and distributing the official meeting logs. Outside organizations who wish to receive these should contact Deborah Prince, UL Project Engineer, 919-549-1460 (voice), 919-547-6178 (fax).