

LOG OF MEETING

DATE: October 5, 2010

LOCATION: CPSC, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda MD 20814

ATTENDEES: Arlene Blum, Executive Director of the Green Science Policy Institute

CPSC ATTENDEES: Commissioner Robert Adler; Jason Levine, Legal Counsel to Commissioner Adler; Jana Fong-Swamidoss, Legal Counsel to Commissioner Adler; Treye Thomas, HS; Michael Babich, HS; and Dale Ray, EC.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: Commissioner Adler and CPSC staff met with Dr. Arlene Blum at her request to discuss her concerns regarding the use of flame retardant (FR) chemicals, particularly Firemaster 500, in furniture and baby products. Topics covered included the possible health effects of FR chemicals on humans, end of life issues for disposal of FR chemicals, and whether the use of FR chemicals in furniture and baby products such as strollers, car seats, and changing tables improve fire prevention. She also encouraged the CPSC to move forward expeditiously on its Upholstered Furniture Flammability Standard. Commissioner Adler thanked Dr. Blum for bringing this issue to his attention and encouraged her to provide him with any additional information she may wish to share on a going forward basis.

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