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LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detectors
MEETING DATE: March 3, 1998
LOCATION: CPSC Offices, East-West Towers
Bethesda, Maryland
MEETING OF: Kidde Safety/Nighthawk Systems and CPSC staff
LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Elizabeth W. Leland, EC
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ATTENDEES:

CPSC

Sandra Inkster, EH	Warren Prunella, EC
Elizabeth Leland, EC	Marcia Robins, EC
Ronald Medford, EXHR	Don Switzer, ES
Warren Porter, LSE	Sharon White, ESHF

Non-CPSC

Kidde/Nighthawk:

John Andres	Cathy Prudhomme
Frank Mitchel	Chris Rovenstine
Liz Wortman	
(American Lung Association - Minneapolis, for Kidde/Nighthawk)	

Underwriters' Laboratories:

Gordon Guillerman
Paul Patty

American Gas Association: Ted Williams

WEC Consulting: Irwin H. Billick

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

At an October 27, 1997 meeting of the Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) Industry Advisory Group (IAG) for CO detectors, the decision was made to eliminate the use of digital displays below 30 ppm CO on CO detectors. Unable to attend the IAG meeting due to weather conditions, Kidde/Nighthawk requested a meeting with CPSC staff in order to present their company's experience with digital displays below 30 ppm on CO detectors.

Kidde/Nighthawk spoke about the importance of education to consumers and the need for consumers to understand and implement preventive practices with respect to their fuel-burning appliances. Kidde-Nighthawk also presented testimonials from gas utilities, fire services, and consumers about the use of low



level readings and digital displays on CO detectors, information about current consumer usage patterns associated with detectors that incorporate low level digital displays, and evidence to show that CO ppm readings below 30 on detectors are not necessarily inconsequential alarms. Materials were presented to CPSC staff for their review. A portion of the meeting was closed to discuss proprietary information.

Requests for copies of overheads used by Kidde/Nighthawk representatives in their presentation can be made to Chris Rovenstine, Kidde/Nighthawk, 719-533-2301.