LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Meeting of ASTM F15.06 Non-Powder Guns

DATE OF MEETING: July 18, 1995 PLACE: ASTM Headquarters Philadelphia, PA

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: George Rutherford, ESHF

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COMMISSION ATTENDEES: George Rutherford, ESHF

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Joe Scott, Daisy
Sharon Lincoln, Non-Powder Gun Association
James Jereckos, Crossman
Mary Groom, Crossman
Bill Dworzans, Marksman
Anthony Barbetta, AARP
Dr. Jack Jeffers, American Academy of Ophthalmology
R.E. Little, Consumer

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

James Jereckos, Chairman of the Subcommittee, distributed copies of a CPSC report on non-powder guns to the attendees, and asked them to take a few minutes to review it.

George Rutherford of CPSC, reiterated the highlights of the findings from the report and answered questions from the attendees about methodology and findings.

Discussions between Mr. Little and Mr. Jereckos were quite acrimonious, and some time was lost while these discussions took place. Once the meeting got down to business, it was moved and decided that the group would attempt to set an agenda to be addressed at a future meeting of the subcommittee. There are 23 persons or organizations who are on the list as members of the group, and only 7 of those were in attendance. Of these seven, four were representatives of the industry. For this reason, the group did not feel that substantive actions beyond listing items to be placed on the agenda should be taken or voted upon. Issues placed on the agenda were:

- Address the question of trigger pull force-current requirement is 2 pounds. Mr. Jereckos expressed the opinion that it should be higher.
Cite the ANSI Z535 labeling standard in the non-powder gun standard, since they are designing their labels in accordance with that standard.

Reexamine the issue of projectile penetration as part of the labeling language, rather than muzzle velocity.

Consider whether there should be a separate standard for multiple pump guns rather than including them in the category of general purpose guns.

Consider trying to get some retailers on the subcommittee, since product marketing by retailers has changed over time.

Each manufacturer will bring to the next meeting, information on the amount of effort and materials being used for training of users.

Manufacturers will examine and consider evaluating at least the clarity of the literature they provide as instructions with guns.

Subcommittee chairman will attempt to improve attendance at the next meeting, so that the group can take action on some items.

Once an agenda had been developed, while a meeting date was not established for the next meeting, at time was established. Mr. Little requested that the next meeting be started at 9:30 rather than 9:00, to give him time to get to the meeting from Detroit. The group agreed, and the meeting was adjourned.

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