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SUBJECT: Underwriters Laboratories – voluntary standards activities

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SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Garage Door Openers: The proposal to UL 325 on stopped partially open garage doors was discussed. Several STP members have requested that the standard should also address systems that will close garage doors based on some trigger. UL is considering this proposal. A new proposal has been submitted by the Door and Access Systems Manufacturers Association (DASMA) to enhance the safety of commercial garage door operators, clarifications regarding the use of a separate entrance for pedestrians with respect to a vehicular gate, and the location of gate controls.

Electric Air Heaters: UL provided an update on current efforts on electric heaters (baseboard, fixed-position, and portable). UL is preparing a bulletin that will address 4 topics regarding the voluntary standards (UL 1042, 1278, and 2021). Controlling the maximum temperatures experienced by branch wiring and wiring internal to electric heaters was also discussed. Potential future activities of the UL STP 1042 working group on surface temperatures was

discussed. CPSC staff is exploring measuring the flux from radiant heaters, as recommended in the report *Final Report on Fixed-Position Electric Heaters*, January 2002.

Cooking Fires: UL and CPSC staff discussed the status of efforts to revise UL 858 to reduce incidents of cooking fires. While both UL and CPSC staff completed research efforts in 2004 on cooktop control systems that could prevent food ignitions, no progress has been made toward developing proposals for changes to the standard. No additional research is currently being planned.