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Federal Reserve Board Email comments

Dear Email comments,

The Consumer Product Safety Commission has been under-funded and under-staffed for too long. It needs effective tools and sufficient

resources to help ensure that dangerous toys, cribs and other hazardous products, most manufactured abroad, do not wind up on American store shelves and in our homes.

I urge you to contact your fellow members of Congress who are conferencing the final product safety bill to ensure that the package sent to the President brings together the best elements of each bill. These changes must be made, and a strong bill must be sent to the President, in the next two weeks.

Please fight to retain:

* Testing Toys to the Latest Safety Standards: Please make sure that the final bill contains a provision requiring that all toys be tested and certified to comprehensive safety standards before they can be sold.

* A Ban on Certain Dangerous Chemicals, called Phthalates: The Senate

bill includes a provision eliminating phthalates in children's products and child care articles, which will serve to significantly curb children's routes of exposure to these potential reproductive system toxins. The House bill does not include this provision.

* States' Ability to Enforce Product Safety. Oppose the eleventh-hour attempt to add a new provision (not in either the House or Senate-passed bills) to prevent states from addressing new toy and product testing problems that could arise.

* A Strengthened All Terrain Vehicle Standard. We support strengthening the current Senate provision that makes the voluntary standards for ATVs mandatory and requires those entities selling ATVs in the U.S. to be subject to ATV action plans. We support the inclusion of increased safety measures to make ATVs safer for all consumers.

Sincerely,

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