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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

# Memorandum

TO : Sadye E. Dunn, Secretary
Richard Gross, Executive Director
John Bell, Director, Office of Media Relations
Peter Preuss, Deputy Assoc. Exec. Direc. for Health Sciences

DATE: 19 DEC 1979

FROM : THROUGH: Andrew S. Krulwich, General Counsel
Alan H. Schoem, Assistant General Counsel AHS

SUBJECT Final NIOSH Report on Hairdryer Tests for Asbestos

CEPD has forwarded to us a copy of the letter from General Electric (GE) with their comments on the final NIOSH report on hairdryer tests for asbestos emission and Dr. Nicholson's analysis of the report. GE's comments were in response to notice provided them under section 6(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2057(b).

(1) While not required by law, we believe that a copy of GE's letter should accompany any release of the NIOSH report under the Freedom of Information Act. In addition, before

(2) any further affirmative disclosures of the NIOSH report are made, the comment of GE must be addressed in order to assure that the information we disseminate is accurate and fair in the circumstances.

cc: Richard Heller
David Schmeltzer, AEDCE

(1) Bob Bledsoe - for action

(2) Cathy R - FYI - report still to be available only under FOIA

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