

## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Commission Finding That Shortens Periods for Issuing News Release on Cadet Heaters

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission finds that certain heaters made by Cadet present a potential hazard to consumers and that, to protect the public health and safety, the customary manufacturer comment and notification periods preceding public release of certain information shall be shortened.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Renae Rauchschalbe, Division of Corrective Actions, Office of Compliance, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone: (301) 504-0608 ext. 1362.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Background

In October 1997, the Consumer Product Safety Commission and Cadet Manufacturing Company, Inc. issued a joint news release about the recall and retrofit of certain hazardous heaters. However, Cadet is not conducting the corrective action described in the news release. Therefore, the Commission has issued its own news release to inform consumers about the situation.

##### B. Statutory and Regulatory Provisions

Under section 6(b)(1) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. 2055(b)(1), the Commission must provide manufacturers or private labelers with at least 30 days advance notice before disseminating information that identifies the manufacturer's product. In addition, section 6(b)(2) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2055(b)(2), requires at least 10 days additional notice if the manufacturer or private labeler claims that the information to be released is inaccurate. However, the Commission may provide lesser periods of notice, in both cases, if "the Commission finds that the public health and safety requires a lesser period of notice."

Under the CPSA and the Commission's regulations, the Commission must publish its "public health and safety" findings in the **Federal Register**. 16 CFR §§ 1101.23 (b) and (c) and 1101.25 (b) and (c). Disclosure of the information in the news release may be made concurrently with the filing of the Federal Register notice, and need not await its publication.

### C. Commission Finding

The Commission finds that the public health and safety requires less notice than the periods of time specified in section 6(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Act. The Cadet heaters, which present to the public the serious risks of burns, smoke inhalation, and electrocution, should not be used until they are properly and adequately repaired. The onset of cold weather in most of the country underscores the urgency of informing consumers of the risks inherent in the use of these particular heaters. Therefore, the Commission authorizes issuance of a news release 24 hours after Cadet has been provided an opportunity to comment on it, and an additional 24 hours after Cadet has been notified that the Commission intends to issue the release over Cadet's accuracy objections (if Cadet submits comments and if the Commission, after evaluating the comments, decides to issue the release).

Dated: November 25, 1997.

**Sadye E. Dunn,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 2, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Dan Chenok, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

Dated: November 25, 1997.

**Gloria Parker,**

*Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

### Office of Educational Research and Improvement

**Type of Review:** REINSTATEMENT.  
**Title:** 1999 National Study of Postsecondary Faculty (NSOPF—99): Faculty Questionnaire.

**Frequency:** One Time.  
**Affected Public:** Individuals or households.

**Reporting Burden and Recordkeeping:**  
Responses: 500.  
Burden Hours: 391.

**Abstract:** The third cycle of the NSOPF is being conducted in response to a continuing need for data on faculty and instructors. The study will provide information about faculty in postsecondary institutions which is key to learning about the quality of education and research in these institutions. This study will expand the information about faculty and