

of trade into the U.S. women's and girls' wool slacks, breeches and shorts market and to implement and maintain the integrity of the ATC.

TABLE I.—U.S. IMPORT LEVELS FROM BELARUS AND WTO COUNTRIES WITH SPECIFIC LIMITS WHOSE CURRENT IMPORT LEVELS ARE BELOW BELARUS WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' WOOL SLACKS, BREECHES AND SHORTS—CATEGORY 448

[1,000 Dozens]

Country	Imports Calendar Year 2001	Percent of Total	Country Rank
World	1,019	100	
Belarus	24	2.3	14
WTO Countries:			
Indonesia	23	2.3	15
Romania	22	2.1	16
Taiwan	19	1.8	20
Hungary	12	1.2	24

TABLE II.—2001 SPECIFIC LIMITS (SL) BELOW BELARUS' CALENDAR YEAR 2001 IMPORTS WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' WOOL SLACKS, BREECHES AND SHORTS—CATEGORY 448

[1,000 Dozens]

Belarus	23.6
WTO Countries SL's:	
China	22.5
Indonesia	21.9
Taiwan ¹	21.2
Egypt	20.1
Burma ²	2.5

¹ SL Categories 447 and 448.

² Unilateral Restraint Level.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Petition Requesting Performance Standards for Auxiliary Hazard Lighting Systems for Snowmobiles

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission has received a petition (CP 02–2) requesting that the Commission issue performance standards for auxiliary hazard lighting systems for snowmobiles. The Commission solicits written comments concerning the petition.

DATES: The Office of the Secretary must receive comments on the petition by July 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the petition, preferably in five copies, should be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, telephone (301) 504–0800, or delivered to the Office of the Secretary, Room 501, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Comments may also be filed by facsimile to (301) 504–0127 or by e-mail to cpsc-os@cpsc.gov. Comments should be captioned “Petition CP 02–2, Petition for Performance Standards for Auxiliary Hazard Lighting Systems for Snowmobiles.” A copy of the petition is available for inspection at the Commission's Public Reading Room, Room 419, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland. The petition is also available on the CPSC website at www.cpsc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rockelle Hammond, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504–0800, ext. 1232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has received correspondence from Snow Glow® Inc. requesting that the Commission issue a rule prescribing performance standards for auxiliary hazard lighting systems on snowmobiles. The petitioner asserts that snowmobiles without such auxiliary hazard lighting systems pose an increased risk of collision between snowmobiles and serious injury or death to the operator of either snowmobile involved.

The petitioner maintains that auxiliary hazard lighting systems to reduce or eliminate this risk must exhibit the following characteristics: (1) Have an energy power source separate from the main power source of the snowmobile; (2) operate for a minimum of 40 hours at 0 degrees Fahrenheit and function in temperatures of minus 30 degrees Fahrenheit or colder; (3) have an on-off switch that is separate from the main electrical system; (4) emit yellow light from the front of the snowmobile and red from the rear; and (5) have a flashing display visible in unobstructed darkness from at least one half mile distance, from the front and rear of the snowmobile.

The Commission is docketing the correspondence as a petition under provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. 2051–2084.

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the petition by writing or calling the Office of the Secretary, Consumer

Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504–0800. The petition is available on the CPSC website at www.cpsc.gov. A copy of the petition is also available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Commission's Public Reading Room, Room 419, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

Dated: April 25, 2002.

Todd A. Stevenson, Secretary,

Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Draft Information Quality Guidelines: Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission is announcing the availability of a draft of its Guidelines for Ensuring the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information disseminated by the Commission.

DATES: Comments must be received by July 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned “Information Quality Guidelines” and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Comments may also be filed by facsimile to (301) 504–0127 or by e-mail to cpsc-os@cpsc.gov, or by the Web site comment submission form at <http://www.cpsc.gov/feedback.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph F. Rosenthal, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 301–504–0980, e-mail jrosenthal@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These draft guidelines and supporting documents are available on the Internet at <http://www.cpsc.gov/library/infoguides.pdf> and are issued pursuant to section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001, Public Law 106–554, which mandated that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issue government-wide guidelines that “provide policy and procedural guidance to Federal agencies for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information (including statistical

information) disseminated by Federal agencies." The statute further requires OMB to require each Federal agency to issue its own guidelines. OMB's amended final guidance appears at 67 FR 8452, February 22, 2002, and at http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/fedreg/final_information_quality.htm. The OMB guidelines, as further revised at 67 FR 9797, March 4, 2002, require each Federal agency to post its own draft guidelines on the Internet by May 1, 2002. Based on comments from the public and OMB, final agency guidelines will be issued by October 1, 2002. Thereafter, starting on January 1, 2004, agencies must file annual fiscal year reports to OMB on the number, nature and resolution of complaints about alleged noncompliance with the agency guidelines.

A paper copy of the guidelines may also be obtained by telephoning Mary Kelsey at 301-504-0000.

Dated: April 25, 2002.

Todd Stevenson,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 02-C0004]

Peg Perego U.S.A., Inc., a Corporation Provisional Acceptance of a Settlement Agreement and Order

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: It is the policy of the Commission to publish settlements which it provisionally accepts under the Consumer Product Safety Act in the **Federal Register** in accordance with the terms of 16 CFR 11180.(e). Published below is a provisionally-accepted Settlement Agreement with Peg Perego U.S.A., Inc., a corporation containing a civil penalty of \$150,000.

DATES: Any interested person may ask the Commission not to accept this agreement or otherwise comment on its contents by filing a written request with the Office of the Secretary by May 15, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment on this Settlement Agreement should send written comments to the Comment 02-C0004 Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Belinda V. Mitchell, Trial Attorney,

Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0980, 1346.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Agreement and Order appears below.

Dated: April 25, 2002.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Secretary.

In the Matter of Peg Perego U.S.A., Inc. a Corporation; Settlement Agreement and Order

1. This Settlement Agreement, made by and between the staff ("the staff") of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (the "Commission") and Peg Perego U.S.A., Inc., ("Peg Perego" or "Respondent"), a corporation, in accordance with 16 CFR 1118.20 of the Commission's procedures for Investigations, Inspections, and Inquiries under the Consumer Product Safety Act ("CPSA"), is a settlement of the staff allegations set forth below.

The Parties

2. The Commission is an independent federal regulatory agency responsible for the enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2051-2084.

3. Peg Perego is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana with its principal corporation offices located in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Staff Allegations

4. Between 1990 and 1998, Peg Perego manufactured and sold nationwide approximately 274,000 battery-powered 12-volt ride-on vehicles (the "vehicle(s)" or the "product(s)"). These vehicles are intended for use by children three to eight years old.

5. The vehicles are "consumer products" and Respondent is a "manufacturer" of "consumer products", which were "distributed in commerce" as those terms are defined in sections 3(a)(1), (4), (11) and (12) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2052(a)(1), (4), (11), and (12).

6. The vehicles are defective because their electrical components can overheat and cause fires. If this should occur, children and others could suffer serious injuries or die. Additionally, the foot pedals can get stuck in the "on" position, preventing the vehicles from stopping and thereby creating the potential for collisions that could cause serious injury or death.

7. Between April 1994 and March 1997, Peg Perego received approximately 197 reports of the vehicles' electrical components overheating, causing smoking, melting or fire. These incidents resulted in two burn injuries, one involving a 2nd degree burn injury to a child, and approximately \$55,000 in property damage to three houses and garages. Despite being aware of this information, Peg Perego did not voluntarily provide it to the Commission.

8. Not until March 17, 1997, after receiving a letter from the staff requesting information about battery operated vehicle fire incidents, did Peg Perego provide the staff with

information about the vehicles' overheating defect.

9. In April 1998, Peg Perego submitted an initial report to the Commission reporting the foot pedal sticking problem. By this time, Respondent was aware of approximately 20 incidents involving the products' failure to stop, resulting in one concussion and six minor injuries when the vehicles hit a tree, car, truck, pole, or fence.

10. Although Peg Perego had obtained sufficient information to reasonably support the conclusion that these vehicles contained defects which could create a substantial product hazard, or created an unreasonable risk of serious injury or death, it failed to report such information to the Commission as required by section 15(b) of the CPSA. By failing to report, Peg Perego violated section 19(a)(4) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2068(a)(4).

11. Respondent committed this failure to report to the Commission "knowingly" as the term "knowingly" is defined in section 20(d) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2069(d), and Respondent is subject to civil penalties under section 20 of the CPSA.

Response of Peg Perego

12. Peg Perego denies the allegations of the staff that the vehicles contain a defect which could create a substantial product hazard pursuant to section 15(a) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(a), and denies that it violated the reporting requirements of section 15(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b).

13. Respondent denies that the information available to it reasonably supported the conclusion that the vehicles contained a defect which could create a substantial product hazard or created an unreasonable risk of serious injury or death, and, therefore, no report was required under section 15(b) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2064(b).

14. Notwithstanding its denial that the vehicles contain a defect which could create a substantial product hazard, and notwithstanding its denial that the vehicles create an unreasonable risk of serious injury or death, Respondent nevertheless, cooperated with the staff in recalling the products.

15. Respondent agrees to this Settlement Agreement and Order solely to avoid incurring additional legal costs and it does not constitute, nor is it evidence of, an admission of any fault, any liability, any violation of any law, or any wrongdoing by Respondent.

16. Respondent enters into this Agreement solely to settle the allegations of the staff that a civil penalty is appropriate.

Agreement of the Parties

17. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter and over Peg Perego under the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. 2051-2084.

18. Peg Perego agrees to pay to the order of the U.S. Treasury a civil penalty in the amount of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00), in settlement of this matter, payable within twenty (20) days after service of the Final Order of the Commission accepting this Settlement Agreement.

19. This Settlement Agreement and Order is entered into for settlement purposes only and does not constitute findings by the