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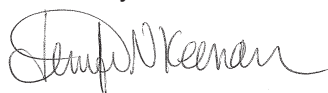
Welcome to the March edition of the Alston & Bird *CPSC Recall Snapshot*.

This past month, Republican Commissioner Ann Marie Buerkle was named acting chairman of the CPSC. Buerkle was confirmed as a commissioner in June 2013 after serving in the U.S. House of Representatives. She has been an outspoken opponent of the CPSC's recent civil penalties and has been the lone dissenter on several civil penalty votes. She has also issued statements against the CPSC's continued rulemaking efforts on magnet sets and recreational off-highway vehicles and has instead advocated for voluntary safety standards for these and many other consumer products. While speaking at a conference last month, Buerkle highlighted her desire to gain insight and contributions from the different stakeholders in the product safety community.

Former chairman Elliott Kaye will remain as a commissioner. His term is set to expire in October 2020. The CPSC, which currently has three Democratic and two Republican commissioners, is expected to remain a Democratic majority until Democratic Commissioner Marietta Robinson's term expires in October 2017.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jenifer Keenan'.

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Voluntary Recalls Announced by the CPSC in February 2017

NUMBER OF RECALLS BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

Child/Infant – 6

Housewares – 4

Electronics – 3

Furniture – 3

Appliance – 1

Tools/Hardware – 1

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Jacket Press Release	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	1,800
Pool Slide Press Release	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	15	800
Toddler Swing Press Release	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	39	540,000
Toy Frog Press Release	Child/Infant	Chemical/Injury Hazard	2	427,000 U.S. 17,800 Can.
Stroller Press Release	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	26	676,000 U.S. 36,400 Can. 4,600 Mex.
Toy Wand Press Release	Child/Infant	Injury Hazard	0	30,100
Knives Press Release	Housewares	Laceration Hazard	27	2 million U.S. 7,000 Can.
Carbonating Bottle Press Release	Housewares	Injury Hazard	0	51,000 U.S. 7,600 Can.
Mirror Press Release	Housewares	Laceration Hazard	2	1,400
Nightlight Press Release	Housewares	Fire Hazard	0	3,000
Power Supply Press Release	Electronics	Shock Hazard	0	2,290 U.S. 210 Can.
Laptop Battery Pack Press Release	Electronics	Burn/Fire Hazard	0	700

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Power Adapter Press Release	Electronics	Shock Hazard	0	147,000
Piano Bench Press Release	Furniture	Lead Exposure Hazard	0	900
Patio Bench Press Release	Furniture	Fall Hazard	1	1,300
Dining Table Press Release	Furniture	Lead Exposure Hazard	4	2,700
Air Conditioner/Heat Pump Press Release	Appliance	Fire Hazard	0	94,000
Chainsaw Press Release	Tools/Hardware	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	100,000

Civil Penalties Announced by the CPSC in February 2017

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	BASIS FOR PENALTY REPORTED	CIVIL PENALTY AMOUNT
Coffee Brewer Press Release	Housewares	<p>Knowing failure to report a defect and an unreasonable risk of serious injury with the coffee brewers.</p> <p>The failure to report began after the company received numerous reports that the coffee brewers sprayed hot water, coffee and coffee grounds. The firm received more than 100 reports of burn-related injuries.</p>	\$5.8 million

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