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Dear Ms. Morgan:

Thank you for your February 5, 2020 letter to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), notifying the CPSC about publication of a revised standard, ASTM F2050-19, *Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Hand-Held Infant Carriers*. The revised standard updates ASTM F2050-13a, which was adopted by the Commission, with one modification, as a mandatory standard.¹

The Commission has accepted the revised voluntary standard. Accordingly, it replaces the current mandatory standard. To reflect that acceptance, the Commission voted to update the incorporation by reference of the revised voluntary standard into the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Commission also published a correction notice regarding the standard for hand-held infant carriers. The correction does not affect the substantive requirements of the standard; rather, it simply provides an additional way to contact CPSC about the standard.

The direct final rule set the effective date of the standard as August 3, 2020. However, because of issues raised by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission voted to issue a final rule delaying the effective date of the standard until January 1, 2021. I am enclosing a copy of the *Federal Register* notices.

Under the procedures for read-only access recently agreed to by ASTM, CPSC requests that a read-only version of ASTM F2050-19, *Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Hand-Held Infant Carriers*, be made available to the public in the ASTM Reading Room, (www.astm.org/READINGLIBRARY/) as of January 1, 2021.

Thank you for your assistance in improving consumer product safety.

¹ The views expressed in this letter are those of CPSC staff and have not been reviewed or approved by, and may not necessarily reflect the views of, the Commission.

Sincerely,

Hope E J. Nesteruk

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cc: Patricia Edwards – CPSC Voluntary Standards Coordinator
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Dan DeSimone – ASTM Hand-Held Infant Carriers Subcommittee Chairman