

STATEMENT OF THE HONORABLE ANNE NORTHUP  
COMMISSIONER  
U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION  
ON THE INTERIM FINAL RULE INTERPRETING FACTORS  
TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN SEEKING CIVIL PENALTIES

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Yesterday I began my tenure as a Commissioner at the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission at the end of the ballot vote period for this matter. Due to the complexity of and far reaching impact of the interim rule under consideration, I am abstaining from casting a vote. The issues presented in the interim rule deserve far more deliberation and involvement in the entire rule making process than the twenty-four hours since my arrival will allow.