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## *CPSC To Vote on Testing and Certification for Non-Children's Apparel, Carpets and Rugs*



As discussed in our *Safety News* of November 4, 2010, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) intended, when publishing the testing and certification requirements for flammability of children's clothing textiles, to start requiring General Certificates of Conformity (GCCs) for compliance with the flammability standard for non-children's apparel (as well as non-children's carpets and rugs). After being advised by this office and others that most of the industry was unaware of the new requirements, the agency's staff has recommended an affirmative vote by the Commission, to lift the stay of testing and certification enforcement for these standards.

Accordingly, the Commissioners will most likely vote **either** to lift the testing and certification stay of enforcement for non-children's products subject to flammability regulations on clothing textiles, vinyl plastic film, and carpets and rugs, to be effective 30 days after the vote, **or** to not lift the enforcement stay at this time. The vote is scheduled for Monday, December 13, and if affirmative, GCCs will be required 30 days thereafter.

We will continue to provide updates on this important development, but in the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Gail Cumins at [gcumins@spcblaw.com](mailto:gcumins@spcblaw.com) or Donna Shira at [dshira@spcblaw.com](mailto:dshira@spcblaw.com), or call us at 212-425-0055.

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