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The Commissioner
Consumer Product Safety
Productivity Commission
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Dear Sir,

Review of the Australian Consumer Product Safety System. - Discussion Draft July 2005

The Insurance Council of Australia (ICA) appreciates the opportunity to provide comment on the Discussion Draft.

Any tightening up of requirements in the consumer product safety system can ultimately benefit organisations and individuals. If they have the effect of reducing injury to consumers, this may result in a flow on benefit to buyers of product liability insurance.

At this stage of consultation ICA has no concerns and supports the options for making further progress, as highlighted on page 321.

ICA will be interested to receive the final report, when prepared by the Commission. At that stage ICA will be looking at any proposed changes to law or any increased insurance obligations.

ICA will be pleased to provide assistance to the Commission if required.

Yours sincerely

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