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Statement of Acting Chairman Robert Adler on Flocked Toys May 5, 2021

There is nothing more important to me—and indeed nothing more fundamental to the mission of the Consumer Product Safety Commission—than the safety of children, our most vulnerable consumers. The agency is constantly reviewing standards for the safety of children's toys, and has been for some time concerned about flocked toys and their accessories in particular.

Last week, a New Mexico District Court issued an opinion relating to the CPSC regulation on flocked toys for children. The Court found, in part, that the regulation governing these toys is ambiguous.

As a result, I have directed agency staff to include in the upcoming FY 2022 Operating Plan a recommendation for how to resolve this regulatory ambiguity and ensure the safety of these popular children's toys.