

57 Form Letters

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Kelly Winn [knpwinn@msn.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 4:42 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(my ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra and lace needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows. I am a stay at home mom of two and the income I generate from my hair bow sales pays for all of our groceries and our children's expenses. Our family finances would be devastated if we lose my income.

Thank you,
Kelly Winn

Stevenson, Todd

From: Something Sweet Bowtique [heather@somethingsweetbowtique.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 5:11 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester (our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner. My family needs my income from selling hair bows for our family to survive!

Thank You,
Heather Lewis
Owner/Designer
Something Sweet Bowtique
www.somethingsweetbowtique.com
heather@somethingsweetbowtique.com

Stevenson, Todd

From: Brandy Simmons [bl_simmons@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 5:15 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows. I am a stay at home mom of 2 and this is my way of making ends meet in our household. The following items listed is what I would like to see be exempt. Thank you for your time.

Brandy Simmons

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Stevenson, Todd

From: Shawn Foy [shawnmu97@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 5:37 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: What I need to be exempted

Dear CPSIA

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra and nylon needed to make baby headbands

White Plastic headbands

Upholstry thread- my hair bows are hand sewn

Glue sticks

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 who is able to stay at home from making the hair accessories.

Thank you,
Shawn Foy



www.Shawnmu97.Etsy.com

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Rhonda Bavaro [rbonwins@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 5:39 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Sec 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, satin
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Tulle

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, so this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner. The income from my business provides needed supplementation to our family income.

Thank you,
Rhonda Bavaro, Owner
Ruby Sweets Boutique LLC
Floral Park, NY

Stevenson, Todd

From: Shawn Foy [shawnmu97@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 5:40 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSIA

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra and nylon needed to make baby headbands

White Plastic headbands

Upholstry thread- my hair bows are hand sewn

Glue sticks

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 who is able to stay at home from making the hair accessories.

Thank you,
Shawn Foy



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Stevenson, Todd

From: allison@mybasketexpressions.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 6:22 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Exemption request

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thank you,
Allison Blaszak

Stevenson, Todd

From: sue kremer [kremers4uk@fuse.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 7:42 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Sec 101 determinations
Attachments: ~Butterfly001_sjswo~48435534345.jpg; 002 WhisperingOwl letter url26212311123.jpg; 001 Shirley letter e-mail37323422234.jpg; imstp_animation_butterflies_en_020908.gif

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

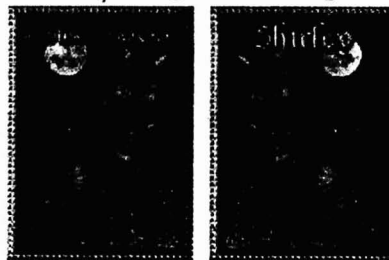
Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbon has been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands
Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 7 and small business owner, it helps to pay some bills & feed my family.

Thank you,
Colleen Sue Kremer
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From: db Raines [rainesdb@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 9:13 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations. "

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a disable mom and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you

Dorothia Jones

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From: Kristine McDonald [kristineirenemcd@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 10:15 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

--- On Sat, 1/10/09, Kristine McDonald <kristineirenemcd@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Kristine McDonald <kristineirenemcd@yahoo.com>

Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations

To: Sec101Determination s@cpsc.gov

Date: Saturday, January 10, 2009, 10:10 PM

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Thread - embroidery and general purpose

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a stay at home mom who supplements our income with my hair bow business , www.lillyrosebowcompany.etsy.com

Thank you,
Kristine McDonald
Lilly Rose Bow Company
1010 Wyandotte Ave
Royal Oak, MI 48067

www.lillyrosebowcompany.etsy.com

Stevenson, Todd

From: Laura DiSciascio [lauleeteach@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 10:45 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons - grosgrain, satin, nylon, polyester (the ribbons I use have been tested by the manufacturer and are lead free)

Tulle - used to make tutus

Elastic - used to make tutus

Ribbon hair accessories in general

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, and this is very important. I am a stay-at-home-mom and work to sell hair bows to help make ends meet.

Thank you,
Laura DiSciascio

Laura / Stay-at-home Mom to the "Awesome Twosome"

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Lisa Marsh [lisaaggie12@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:06 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general

As well as hot glue....

I am a mother of two and small business owner. My ribbon supplier has assured me that their ribbon is lead free. I have worked for over 7 years to make my small business what it is today. I provide quality hair accessories and would be saddened if this niche of the market was forced out of work due to harsh testing prices. Thanks for considering other items to exempt.

**Lisa Marsh
24310 Camillia Ridge Way
Katy, Texas 77493
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www.knotyouraveragebow.net**

Stevenson, Todd

From: Crystal Cooper [crystalwade22@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:42 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, and polyester
Fabrics such as cotton, flannel, fleece, and lycra
Ribbon hair accessories, in general

I hand craft and sell little girls pillowcase dresses, blankets, and hair bows, this is very important. I am a stay at home mom of 2 kids and without this there is going to be a lot of people struggling to get by, and more people on welfare.

Thank you,
Crystal Cooper

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Stevenson, Todd

From: John and Melissa [5mcbrides@cox.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:48 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations"

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 and small business owner.

Thank you,
Melissa McBride

Stevenson, Todd

From: CustomerService@sweetbabybowtique.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:49 PM
To: Lead Determinations; Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."
Attachments: imstp_animation_butterflies_en_020908.gif

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Crochet

Silk flowers

Tulle

Elastic

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and tutus, this is very important. I am a mom of 5 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you, Jennifer Toenjes

Regards,

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www.howtomakehairbows.net
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From: JessicaMissi Hill [4sistersbowtique@live.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:51 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: [Possibly Spam]: Section 101{a} Determinations
Importance: Low

Dear CPSC,

We would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.
We hand craft adorable hair bows and boutique clothing.

Thank you so much!

Jessica & Missi Hill

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From: Angel Bailey [ash_sydsmommy@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:55 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Tulle fabric used to make tutu's

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and tutus, this is very important. I am a mom and small business owner, my business would go under without this.

Thank you very much
Angela Bailey

Stevenson, Todd

From: Jessie Fleischauer [tutusbyjessie@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:59 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as tulle, elastic, cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Clips for the bows to be attached!!

Please consider these and others selections as this is not only an income for a lot of people but a hobby and a form of art. I know I get thrilled when I see a child wearing my creations just as an artist is pleased to see paintings in peoples homes! Please, dont takt this away from us!

Jessica Fleischauer

Stevenson, Todd

From: Noël Wallace [mnwbsg@live.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:00 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general

Tulle and other accessories used to make tutus

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and tutus, this is very important. I am the only one in my household with any type of income, and if this law is passed, and I can't sell anything, we will loose everything.

Thank you, Noël Wallace

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Jess, James, Jayden,& Isabella [jhaydenquinn@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:18 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, satin, nylon, polyester
Our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free.

Fabric such as cotton, lycra, elastics, and nylons needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I been handcrafting and selling little girls hair bows and accessories for 15 years, this is very important. I am a single mom of 4; a small business owner and our sole income. With this economy in a slump already there is no alternative jobs and if I go out of business me and my children will be homeless.

Sincerely Jessica Hayden

Stevenson, Todd

From: KATHY BANDY [abcbandy5@verizon.net]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:25 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Please exclude these items from the law!

Tulle
Ribbon - grograin, satin, sheer, nylon, polyester
Fabric-cotton, lycra to make baby headbands
Crochet items
Bottlecaps for hairbows

Thank so much!

Stevenson, Todd

From: Nancy Gonzalez [babybowmadness@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:41 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton, tulle and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Yarn

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Hair Hardware such as plastic headbands, alligator clips, and the like

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows & tulle tutus. It is something I do as a hobby, a hobby I have been doing for close to 5 years now, and I do not want to give it up because of the new law.

Please take this into consideration. Not only I, but all of the boutiques that hand make children accessories thanks you!

Have a great day!

Nancy Gonzalez

Stevenson, Todd

From: Angel Hughes [angelhughes07@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 1:12 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Tulle used to make tutus and play clothing for children

Silk Flowers

Elastic

Crochet Headbands & Hats

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and accessories. I am a mom of 2 plus one on the way, and small business owner. If I and many other women like me lose this source of income, we will be unemployed and forced back into an already suffering job market. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Angel Hughes

Angel Hughes
Posh Pine
angelhughes07@gmail.com
806-341-1874

Stevenson, Todd

From: Karen Bumgardner [kwyn_nae_bows@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 4:27 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Please exempt the following items from the new law...

Dear CPSC,

I am a mother of 4 children in my last semester of nursing school. I make small boutique style hairbows for little girls of all ages and sell them to supplement my husband's income until I am finished with school. I also love to make these "hair pretties" to give a as gifts for my daughter's friends. The new law seems to be going to close my very very small, profitable hobby down because I can not afford to have the items tested.

The following items are what I use daily and would like to see exempted:

Ribbon-grosgrain, cotton, polyester
Cotton Fabrics to make headbands
Thread
Tulle for Tutu's
Elastic bands

Thank you for your time, and may you have a blessed day.

Sincerely, Karen Bumgardner

Stevenson, Todd

From: Karyn E. Ranzau [keranzau@insightbb.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 11:47 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, satin
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner, and this business is half of our total income.

Also **DEFINITIONS** for what is a "manufacturer" VS. an "assembler" . I am an assembler. I take parts that have already been manufactured and assemble them into something new = hairbow. I do not start with raw materials, the items have already been manufactured by another company.

I believe that adding a limit on the number of parts produced in a year will only suppress the growth of a small business and remove any motivation to work harder and achieve more sales. It will also encourage unscrupulous individuals to sell "under the table" and not report all sales. Please take these into consideration.

I have one other question - how do you know that cast off items intended for adults won't end up in the hands of children? i.e.. old cell phones as toys, clothing as costumes, tools and tape measures etc.? At some point **PARENTS** need to be held responsible. A good marketing campaign and laws regarding **IMPORTED** items would be a better way to ensure child safety. US laws already dictate US manufacturing abilities.

Thank you,

Karyn Ranzau
Louisville, KY 40245
502-290-1543

Stevenson, Todd

From: Tammy & Glenn Adams [tagle1530@embarqmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 12:23 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and other accessories and this is very important. I own a small business that I depend on for money in our family. Please consider the items to be exempt.

Thank you, Tammy Adams

Stevenson, Todd

From: jen harris [jennygirl@bak.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 1:03 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: material produvts for handmade childrens items that should be excluded.

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

- 1.Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester,satin
2. Tulle (used for making childrens,teens and adults (tutu skirts and wedding dresses and esambles
3. No roll elastic .
4. Thread
5. Glue
6. Silk flowers
- 7.cotton, minky , nylon chiffon,silk charmuse fabric, to make pettiskirts, applique clothing

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, tutu skirts and dresses as make childrens baby blankets, outfits, taggie toys, hair bows etc.....this is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner of a day care that is on the verge of closing ue to the economy and lack of jobs and money people are not enrolling baccuse they have either lost their jobs or can't afford childcare due to income. We have already had to file bankrupcy just to try and salvage our home. My sole purpose for making childrens products out of my home was to carry on and try to make a secound income and open another small business out of my home to contine to care for my children as well as off set the income I have lost in my daycare of 12 years. Yes, I could look for another job with a degree as a tacher but their is a hiring freeze and lack of funding and jobs are very scarce in Kern County. I love what I do as an in home daycare provider as well as creating handmade products for babies,toddlers,teens... I don't want to loose my life and this is what will happen if we are unable to contine to loose the only source of income I have comming in Work at home small businesses can't afford 3rd party testing. We don't have hundreds of dollars that we are making selling our handmade products. We are not commercial consumers that make billions of dollars. If Manufactures are mandated to test their products and we buy their products why should we have to pay for something to be tested? We need your help. American consumers are suffering and so are our children. Plesae help us.....

Jen Harris

www.iluvututumuch.net

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jenharris@iluvututumuch.net

Thank you, Jennifer Toenjes

Stevenson, Todd

From: Felicia Creel [felicialuvsbilly@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 1:12 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I am the mother of two little girls. I have been making hair bows for over two years now and it has become part of my income to provide for my girls. I have been worried about this law because if we are not allowed to make and sell hair bows I will not have the extra money needed to provide for my girls. I would like to see the following items exempted from this new law.

1. Ribbon- grosgrain, nylon, & polyester.
2. Fabric- such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands.
3. Any hair accessories in general for making hair bows!

Thank you for taking the time to read my email and my concerns! Felicia Creel

Stevenson, Todd

From: lavona boyd [txlboyd@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 1:36 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Cc: txlboyd@sbcglobal.net
Subject: PLEASE EXEMPT

I make and sale hair bows for little girls, I have been out of work for 5 months from a car accident so this is how I make my income, So I would like to ask that the following be exempt from the ban,,

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

And Tulle, I use this for girls tutus.

Thank you, Laverna Delgado

Stevenson, Todd

From: CustomerService@sweetbabybowtique.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 2:29 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR."
Attachments: imstp_animation_butterflies_en_020908.gif

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Crochet

Silk flowers

Tulle

Elastic

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and tutus, this is very important. I am a mom of 5 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you, Jennifer Toenjes

Regards,

Sweet Baby Bowtique Inc.
www.sweetbabybowtique.com
www.howtomakehairbows.net
customerservice@sweetbabybowtique.com
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Stevenson, Todd

From: Marizel Bustos [marizelb@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 2:41 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

> From: Marizel Bustos <marizelb@yahoo.com>
> Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations.
> To: Sec101Determinations@cpsc.gov
> Date: Saturday, January 10, 2009, 6:03 PM Dear CPSC,
>
> I am a stay at home mom and help bring in some income by selling my
> handmade accessories made for little girls and babies.
>
> I would like to see these materials exempted:
>
> Ribbon such as all grosgrain, satin, nylon and polyester Silk flowers
> Tulle Crocheted headbands Fabric such as nylon and cotton Ribbon hair
> accessories in general.
> Elastic
>
> Please, this is very important to my family as well as many other
> small business owners.
>
> Thank you,
>
>
> Marizel Muniz

Stevenson, Todd

From: Something Sweet Bowtique [heather@somethingsweetbowtique.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 2:54 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester (our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner. My family needs my income from selling hair bows for our family to survive!

Thank You,
Heather Lewis
Owner/Designer
Something Sweet Bowtique
www.somethingsweetbowtique.com
heather@somethingsweetbowtique.com

Stevenson, Todd

From: rachel cardenas [ratchet75@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 3:09 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 and a small business owner, please take these into consideration

Thank you,

Rachel Cardenas

Stevenson, Todd

From: ginaskinner@localnet.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 3:28 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or products NPR

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Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I make and sell little girls hair bows so this is very very important to me plus to many many others as well!!

Thank you!
Gina Skinner
Stay at home mom of 3

Stevenson, Todd

From: Trundyraceing@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 5:24 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

In response to your request, I would like to see you exempt ribbon (grosgrain, polyester, satin) and all fabrics dyed in the United States, nylon and lace, polyester fiberfill, and hand crafted one of a kind sewn items. I support the thousands of crafty moms who use these items to create products that are made of components their manufacturers know to be lead free.

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Stevenson, Todd

From: tilly_sue@hotmail.com on behalf of Janelle Southern [tilly_sue@tillysbowtique.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 5:26 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101a Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair accessories. This is very important.

Thank you,
Janelle Southern
Tilly's Bowtique
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From: peach2214@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 8:01 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: List of suggested exemptions

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell hair accessories, some of which are used by little girls.

Thanks you
Jessica Sickler

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Amanda Vanzile [arvanzile@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 8:34 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a stay-at-home mom of 3 and my small business helps bring in a little extra income to help out my husband and keep our family going..

Thank you, Amanda VanZile



*We create the finishing touch for that perfect ensemble,
she's only little once, so deck her out for all occasions!!!*

Stevenson, Todd

From: Christie Brown, Stitch~N~Love [stitchnlove@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 8:37 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands also any material bought by big fabric chains or from wholesale companies that were previously tested.

Ribbon hair accessories and sewing notions in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, children's clothing and nap mats, this is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner. Without this business, we would not be able to survive on my husband's military salary.

Thank you,

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Christie Brown
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Stevenson, Todd

From: Jonathan and Candace Moore [jrcrmooore2001@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 11:05 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important to me, and the other ladies that do this. If we aren't allowed to sell our hair accessories anymore, I can only imagine what it would do as it would hurt the economy further.

Sincerely,

Candace Moore

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From: Shayna Mills [Shayna.Mills@on-boardcommunications.com]
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 11:39 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Sec 101 Determinations

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important.

Thank you,
Shayna

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Charlotte Lewis [clewis50@csc.com]
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 12:22 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101{a} Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

In response to your request, I would like to see you exempt ribbon (grosgrain, polyester, satin) and all fabrics dyed in the United States, nylon and lace, polyester fiberfill, and hand crafted one of a kind sewn items. I support the thousands of crafty moms who use these items to create products that are made of components their manufacturers know to be lead free.

Sincerely,
Charlotte Lewis

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From: Danny and Rachel Gunnell [rachelanddanny@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 1:41 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you, Rachel Gunnell

Stevenson, Todd

From: Kelley Birrell [kelleybirrelli@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 9:44 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

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I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner. We are using this income to get out of debt, and keep afloat because my husband is currently out of work.

Thank you,
Kelley Birrell

Stevenson, Todd

From: Metz676@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:29 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR.

Good evening,

I hope my email is among the thousands that reach you asking for am exempt on certain products to this dooming new law.

I am requesting that ribbon and ribbon hair bow accessories in general be included.

Thank you for your time,
Karen Metzger

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Stevenson, Todd

From: Monique Anderson [moniqueanderson75@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 12:48 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Items to be Exempt

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton, nylon, chiffon, charmeuse

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls clothes, this is very important. I am a mom of 1 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you, monique Anderson

Stevenson, Todd

From: T Willmann [sosweetbydesign@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 1:48 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

Dear CPSC,

I would love to see you make these items exempt:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Tulle fabric for making tutu's

The companies that make the ribbons that I and many other bow makers use have had them tested and they meet all new requirements. I

I am a single mom who works a full time job. I get no state or public assistance but that all could change if this law is passed at the way it stands. I make hair bows and tutus for children. With out this extra income no matter how small it is I am able to make ends meet. I have no extra time to get another job outside of my home and I can make bows while the kids sleep.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration I know that right now you are faced with a tough job and are doing the best that you can for everyone.

Thank you again,
Tabitha Willmann

Stevenson, Todd

From: BENJAMIN JOHNSON [onetmaxx@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2009 4:14 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR."

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

stretch lace for baby head bands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thank you for your time

Kristina Johnson

Stevenson, Todd

From: Denese - A Bow For All Seasons [bows@suddenlink.net]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2009 3:35 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101 Determinations of Certain Materials or Products NPR

To whom it may concern:

I, and a handful of part time employees, hand produce girls hair bows and clothing and supply children's shops around the country. As a small business owner (with small children of my own) I understand the need for safety from toxic items. However, items which are inherently lead free should be exempt from this legislation.

I would like to see the following items exempted from the lead testing requirement imposed by the CPSIA legislation:

- Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
- Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands, t-shirts and knit pants
- Cotton and polyester thread
- Plastic headbands
- Hot glue

Denese
www.abowforallseasons.com

Stevenson, Todd

From: AlwaysUnderPay [info@alwaysunderpay.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 5:15 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I have been asked to give you a list of things to be exempted from this new law.

Ribbons used for bow-making, weddings, crafts, scrapbooking, etc. These ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer and are already lead free. This includes grosgrain, organza, satin, double ruffle, etc.

Tulle

Headbands made from cotton, nylon, crochet material, and lycra

Alligator clips, hot glue, cotton thread, etc.

Thank you kindly for your consideration!
Jeena Lugo

Robb Meyers
Daily Printing, Inc.
11515 47th Ave N
Plymouth, MN 55442-2908

January 22, 2009

Nancy A. Nord
U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
4330 East West Highway
Bethesda, MD 20814

Dear Nancy Nord:

Book printing is very important to the American economy, employing nearly 50,000 workers and totaling more than \$7 billion in shipments. Unfortunately, printers have been caught up in government regulations that were intended mainly for toys. The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) intended to keep children's toys safe from dangerous chemicals will also apply to books and other printed material, resulting in the delay of shipments and enormous testing costs for printers.

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Further, the CPSC will not issue laboratory accreditation standards until at least May 2009, months after the implementation deadline. This leaves printers and publishers in a catch 22 where they may have to test products both immediately to meet the demands of customers in order to be in compliance and again later in the year when the official procedures have been established. Essentially, the testing costs and delays will be doubled, adding up to millions of dollars in unnecessary-added expenses.

The printing industry is fully committed to pursuing the appropriate channels within the CPSC and intends to produce further testing data and to continue their dialogue with the CPSC.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are hopeful that the CPSC or Congress can take action before the February 10th deadline. We will continue to ensure that our products are safe for all and especially children.

Sincerely,

Robb Meyers
Daily Printing, Inc.

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With tests costing approximately \$300 to \$500 per product and in some cases up to \$1,000 or more for specialty books, without an exemption, the testing costs for non-profit printers will be astronomical.

Please pass an exemption for printers, as this would save Seedlings Braille Books for Children - <http://seedlings.org/> - a non-profit organization that provides thousands of Braille books each year to blind children around the world. We need to save this and other non-profits that are providing valuable services to the community.

Please, I urge you to provide an exemption for books.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are hopeful that the CPSC or Congress can take action before the February 10th deadline. We will continue to ensure that our products are safe for all and especially children.

Very Sincerely,

Marcella Fedrigo

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Susan Abraham
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Futhermore, this law could have dire ramifications for those small non-profit organizations who are dedicated to providing Braille materials to those Americans who are sight-impaired, such as Seedlings. With over 950 titles in print, they simply cannot afford to run the required and costly test on each product. How unfortunate that from a desire to protect our children, the law would eradicate their one lifeline, that of the printed word.

The printing industry is fully committed to pursuing the appropriate channels within the CPSC and intends to produce further testing data and to continue their dialogue with the CPSC. But please take a common sense approach to work out details of this new law before implementing it.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are hopeful that the CPSC or Congress can take action before the February 10th deadline. We will continue to ensure that our products are safe for all and especially children.

Lucy Murayda
MOTHER OF BLIND LITTLE GIRL IN CONCORD, NH
40 canton circle
concord, NH 03301-5336

January 23, 2009

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Although the statutory deadline to comply with the new testing requirements is February 10, 2009, most retailers and other print customers are already requiring certificates verifying test results, prior to the issuance of testing guidance from the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

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THIS INCLUDES THE MAKERS OF SEEDLINGS BRAILLE BOOKS. A GREAT ORGANIZATION THE LETS PARENTS OF BLIND CHILDREN PURCHASE BRAILLE BOOKS AT A LOW-COST PRICE.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are hopeful that the CPSC or Congress can take action before the February 10th deadline. We will continue to ensure that our products are safe for all and especially children.

Sincerely,

Lucy Murayda
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MOTHER OF BLIND LITTLE GIRL IN CONCORD, NH

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January 23, 2009

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Sincerely,

Courtney Lim

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Patricia Marino
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Pearl River, NY 10965-1859

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Sincerely,

Patricia Marino
845-735-9194

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Sara Bogart
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within the CPSC and intends to produce further testing data and to continue their dialogue with the CPSC.

My aunt Debbie, the founder of Seedlings Braille Books, has helped so many blind children be able to read. She cannot afford these expensive tests, and so her company will not be able to continue if you force her to do this. Her books are completely safe. Please don't take away these wonderful books from innocent blind children.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are hopeful that the CPSC or Congress can take action before the February 10th deadline. We will continue to ensure that our products are safe for all and especially children.

Sincerely,

Sara Bogart

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January 23, 2009

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Sincerely,

Ken Bloink
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I am sending this letter in support of Seedlings Braille Books for Children - <http://seedlings.org/> - a non-profit organization that provides thousands of Braille books each year to blind children around the world.

The law is set to go into effect on February 10th, and if it does without an exemption for books, Seedlings would be unable to afford the tests costing \$300 - \$1000 per product. With over 950 titles in print, these costs would put Seedlings out of business.

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January 25, 2009

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Dear Nancy Nord:

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Ben Tider
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In addition to these reasons that apply across the industry I am effected on a personal level as I have a good friend who's family runs a non-profit company producing Braille books for the blind. As they produce hundreds of books to provide as diverse a selection as possible these new regulations will cripple the viability of their organization - Seedlings Braille Books for Children - <http://seedlings.org/>

I urge you to please contact Chairman Nord and Commissioner Moore at the CPSC and request swift action to exempt ordinary books and other non-book, paper-based materials from the new CPSIA requirements, specifically the lead content testing, phthalate testing, certification, and product tracking requirements.

I hope good businesses can be spared from an unnecessary regulation meant for totally different industry. Please help.

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Sincerely,

Ben Tider
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MaryAnn McAlpin
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As a retired teacher, the last nine of my teaching years were served as a reading specialist, I cannot understand the urgency of the CPSIA to test children's books for lead contaminants.

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Testing of books is cost prohibited and time consuming. Even the different dates for standardization makes this whole act of congress shameful. This will lead to many companies closing up shop, which is just very sad for our country, especially at this time.

Are you regulating the textbook materials the US receives from China? Will all the schools across the country throw away their books? Many of the books I used with my students were printed in China. Really what are we doing to our American people and our children? If the preliminary testing of books proved to be safe...why aren't the printing industries in our country being exempt from act?

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Sincerely,

MaryAnn McAlpin
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Livonia, MI 48154-4747

January 31, 2009

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Talia Miller
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1012 pontiac trl unit #11
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Sincerely,

andrew mascaro

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Angela Mahnke
7344275889

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Barbara Heien
Retired Elementary Teacher
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Laurie Kaudewitz
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Wayne Johnson
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What are you people thinking? You want to test what everyone already knows...books are the most benign toy a child can have.

If you had even 1 case of "book lead poisoning"....

As my teachers used to say, "I think you have too much time on your hands if you have time to ..."

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85 Form Letters

Hair Ribbon and Bows, etc.

Stevenson, Todd

From: CustomerService@sweetbabybowtique.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:30 AM
To: Lead Determinations; Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."
Attachments: imstp_animation_butterflies_en_020908.gif

Importance: High

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 5 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you, Jennifer Toenjes

Regards,

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www.howtomakehairbows.net
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Stevenson, Todd

From: spitfireshortie@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 10:56 AM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

I would like to see the following things exempted.

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

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Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Hair hardware, i.e. French clips, snap clips, alligator clips

I make hair accessories for girls and depend on my income from doing so!!!
Thanks for reading. --Mandie Martinez

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From: MSpageants@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 11:14 AM
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Thank you
Charlene

A Good Credit Score Is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps!

Stevenson, Todd

From: Lana Sherman [heavenlyhans@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:01 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: What needs to EXEMPTED

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Thank you,
Lana Sherman

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Stevenson, Todd

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Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:00 PM
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Thank you,
Alicia Schuhart

Stevenson, Todd

From: Laurie Stasiuk [wahminbusiness@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:03 PM
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Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands, Tulle used to create boutique Tutus, and general sewing fabrics used to create clothing.

Threads: Both sewing and machine embroidery made of cotton, rayon and polyester.

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, tutus and embroidered accessories, this is very important to me. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner, I work from home so that I can raise my children, not a daycare. My business also helps to supplement our income.

Wishing you success,
Laurie Stasiuk
Owner, Cute Patoot Boutique

Stevenson, Todd

From: tinker217d@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:06 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations.

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important.

Thank you Denise Hughes

A Good Credit Score is 700 or Above. See yours in just 2 easy steps!

Stevenson, Todd

From: notify@yahoogroups.com on behalf of adwidlakeherring [adwidlakeherring@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:30 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Exempt allowances for the CPSIA

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester (our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands, and tulle for handmade tutus..

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell hair accessories and tutus to girls of all ages, this is very important. All the money earned through my handmade merchandise, goes toward my daughters college fund...

Thank you, Amber D. Widlake-Herring

Stevenson, Todd

From: Kelly Watson [kw.oreonut3@verizon.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:33 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra

Thread - Polyester and Rayon - used for embroidery

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and embroidered cotton outfits, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 and small business owner.

Thank you,
Kelly W.

Stevenson, Todd

From: Lauren Conway [laurenc@sstelco.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:48 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: things i need exempt

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, organza, satin
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

fabric of all kinds printed or solid-cotton, flannel, fleece, etc. I use all of these to make my products.

I also use tulle for tutu's

I think this law was passed before any thinking went into how it would affect us small businesses.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, baby burp rags, bibs, decorated clothing, etc. This is very important. I am a stay at home mother of 2 and would like to be able to stay at home with my kids. This is how I bring in extra money for my family. A lot of people will have to quit being stay at home mothers and go to work if this law goes on as scheduled. And aren't children better off at home with their family instead of in daycare?

Thank you,
Lauren Conway

Stevenson, Todd

From: Tammie Lumpkin [bunnyz2613@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 12:53 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Request for Item exemptions

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempt from HR4040 (CPSIA):

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

All fabric such as cotton, fleece, flannel, solid or printed and Lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general, so that we can make cute little hair bows for all the cute little girls.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner. My husband is being deployed to Iraq and the extra money I make from my business goes to help pay bills while he is away.

Thank you,

Tamara Lumpkin
Bows By Bunnyz

Tammie Lumpkin
Bows By Bunnyz
www.bunnyz.net

Stevenson, Todd

From: Kristy Brett [kristybrett5@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:01 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Cotton, nylon sewing thread

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I am a small business owner that makes hair bows for little girls. I am also a mom of 2 precious little girls and we need this income in order to survive.

Thank you,

Kristy Brett
Sweet N Sassy Bows
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Stevenson, Todd

From: James & Heath Comment [jhcomment@wowway.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:09 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Exemptions to the new law

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands, and crochet materials, tulle netting and elastic for tutu skirts and silk flowers used to embellish the tutu's, these are taken apart and glued back together, they do not contain any wire once assembled. Hot glue, used for assembly.

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, and tutu's this is very important.

Thank you,

Heather Comment

Stevenson, Todd

From: rachel cardenas [ratchet75@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:14 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Hi there!

We as crafters and small business owners need to see the following exempted...

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, satin

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thank you so much!

Rachel Cardenas



Stevenson, Todd

From: notify@yahoogroups.com on behalf of Stacy [stacyandgreg@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:15 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations.

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands and t-shirts

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Nylon tulle used to make tutus.

As I hand craft and sell little girls tutus, hair bows, and t-shirts, this is very important.

Thank you,
Stacy Derrick
Owner, Sara Rose Tutus

Stevenson, Todd

From: rachel cardenas [ratchet75@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:21 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thread

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 and small business owner.

Thank you,

Rachel Cardenas



Stevenson, Todd

From: just too kute [bowbiz@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:23 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: SECTION 101 (a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons: such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, cotton
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric: such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thank you,
Kelli

Stevenson, Todd

From: April Walcher [ribbonsoffancy@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:27 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabrics such as Cotton, Cotton-polyester blends, nylon, and lycra that have been tested by the manufacturer and approved. These are needed to make baby headbands and dresses.

Thread, especially 100% cotton thread and cotton-polyester blends, and nylon threads such as monofilament.

Elastic, particularly that used in clothing for waistbands, etc.

As I hand craft and sell little girls' hair accessories and dresses, these are very important exemptions. Without them, I will not be able to afford the lead testing and therefore will be unable to stay in business.

Thank you,
April Walcher

Stevenson, Todd

From: Carrie Colombo [carriecols@wowway.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:27 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 5 and small business owner.

Thank you,
Carrie Colombo
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Stevenson, Todd

From: William and Barbara Findley [bjfandwjf@hughes.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:32 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations."

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Fabric such as cotton prints, cotton/poly blends, flannel needed to make children's clothing.

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows and clothing. This is very important to my family, as this helps us financially make ends meet.

Please give these items your utmost attention.

Thank you,

Barbara Findley

Thank you,

Stevenson, Todd

From: brittanygulette@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:33 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: PLEASE EXEMPT

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important.

Thank you,

Stevenson, Todd

From: Shannon Straub [bunnabows@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:38 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, headbands and accessories. This is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner.

Thank you,
Shannon Straub

Stevenson, Todd

From: Nicole Moodie [cuddlemewahm@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:40 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: exemptions

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general and the hot glue and thread used to assemble these products.

I hand craft little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 3 girls and understand the need to protect the public from lead and phalates but do not believe that there is a danger in hair accessories. There are thousands of work at home mothers whose sole income is to make wonderful hair bows for children, they cannot afford to pay the testing and labeling that the cpsc is going to demand they do. The small business person is the back bone of the economy and putting these people out of work will further increase the downward spiral that our economy is taking. Please reword the law to make it apply to LARGE businesses and those that make the raw materials that others make their items from. There is no reason for the redundant testing of supplies that have already been tested before they even reach our hands. I do not understand why the small business could not recieve the certificates from their suppliers and keep those on hand as to proof of lead levels.

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~Nicole~

Stevenson, Todd

From: Amanda Howe [amandahowe6@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:52 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 6 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you,

Amanda Howe

Stevenson, Todd

From: Megan Haas [megan_haas2007@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 1:56 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

I would like to take this opportunity to voice my opinion on what should be exempt from Section 101 (a).

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general

The ribbon we use to make hairbows has been tested by the companies already, and they have tested negative and free of lead. Since they have tested to be negative, I believe them as well as hairbows and headbands in general should be exempt from the law.

Making hairbows and headbands is my job. It allows me to avoid high costs of daycares and stay at home with my 1 year old daughter (who is a special needs child). This is my main income, and without it I don't know what will come. Please consider exempting those items. This will help me as well as all of the other ladies that make and sell hairbows as a main income to support their children. Thank you for your time.

**Sincerely,
Megan Haas**

Stevenson, Todd

From: Tonia [toniaadams@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:02 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Exemptions PLEASE

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner.

Thank you,

Tonia Adams

www.girlygirlbows.net

what every princess deserves!

Stevenson, Todd

From: Jennifer Kropff [jkropff2002@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:02 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Exemptions to new law

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

Thanks

Jennifer Kropff

Stevenson, Todd

From: Robyn Taylor [robyn26@att.net]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:05 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations. "

Dear CPSC,

I understand the need for this law but i dont think it should apply to small work at home moms. We need to keep our children safe dont get me wrong but this law stands to be re-written. I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make clothing

I think if the manufacture has the supplies tested the small potatoes mom and pop shops should not have to forgo more testing. I see a need with the mass produced companies that outsource to other countries but fabric and bows and soft goods are normally lead free and pose no issues.

I hand craft and sell little girls clothing and bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner.

Thank you,

Robyn

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My Etsy Shop

Stevenson, Todd

From: Lauren Conway [laurenc@sstelco.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:25 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

**Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester, organza, satin
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)**

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

fabric of all kinds printed or solid-cotton, flannel, fleece, etc. I use all of these to make my products.

interfacing for sewing

stabalizer for embroidery

tulle for tutu's

thread of all kinds such as those used for sewing and embroidery

buttons, ric rac, lace, padded appliques, elastic, velcro, decorative trim, snaps, zippers, beads, all types of sewing notions

baby wipe containers the travel ones

pacifier clips

As you can see none of this is hazardous but according to your new law it will be classified as hazardous.

I think this law was passed before any thinking went into how it would affect us small businesses.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, baby burp rags, bibs, decorated clothing, etc. This is very important. I am a stay at home mother of 2 and would like to be able to stay at home with my kids. This is how I bring in extra money for my family. Alot of people will have to quit being stay at home mothers and go to work if this law goes on as schedueled. And aren't children better off at home with their family instead of in daycare?

Thank you,
Lauren Conway

Stevenson, Todd

From: Trina Dial [hamptonandharlow@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:32 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Secton101(a)Determinations

Dear CPSC:

I would like to see the following items exempted:

1. Crafting Ribbons such as: grosgrain, nylon, and polyester. The ribbon used has been tested by the manufacturer and is lead free.
2. Fabric such as; cotton, lycra, and elastics needed to make baby headbands.
3. Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I am an artisan and designer of one-of-a-kind, hand crafted, children's hair accessories. My small business is vital to the financial success of my family, as the revenue generated helps to supplement our struggling middle-class income. Please take into consideration the "hand made" community of designers with children who, on a consistent basis, look out for the well-being of their families.

Best regards,

Trina Dial

Stevenson, Todd

From: jacquelyn.chandler@comcast.net
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:48 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands & bibs
Thread used for sewing and embroidery as well as kiwi embroidery paper

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I think also items purchased from a wholesaler should not have to be tested by the crafter but by the manufacturer - I know many friends who purchase items from companies for resale (neilenterprises & hairparts inc.) If anything they should be required to test them and not be allowed to resell them.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows & headbands as well as embroidered gifts so the thread is also very import.

Thank you,
Jacquelyn Chandler

Stevenson, Todd

From: Aprylskyes@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 2:50 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: sec 101 determinations
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Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 4 and small business owner, our sole income.

Thank you,
Amy McClure

Amy



Stevenson, Todd

From: Jenni [jmackenna@sc.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 3:02 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: "Section 101(a) Determinations."
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Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester

Fabric such as cotton and lycra and felt needed to make clothing and small craft items

Thread such as cotton, polyester and nylon for sewing and embroidery work

Paper products such as scrapbooking and embroiderable papers

I own a small hand craft and embroidery business and this is very important to me. I am a single mother of two and would basically have to close my business if the new law goes into effect as is written.

Thank you,

Jennifer MacKenna
Owner
Simply Stitches
889 Barn Owl Court
Myrtle Beach, SC 29579



www.simplystitchesonline.com

Stevenson, Todd

From: Samantha Gilpin [ollie81004@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 3:48 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: Section 101(a) Determinations
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Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

*Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester
(our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

*Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

*Fabric such as fleece and flannel (made from cotton) for blankets, burp cloths, and bibs

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, blankets, and infant hats and this is very important. I am a mom of 3 and small business owner, and this is part of our income to make ends meet.

Thank you,

Samantha George

Stevenson, Todd

From: felicialeister1@cox.net
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 4:36 PM
To: Lead Determinations
Subject: expemtions that should be made

Dear CPSC,

I would like to see the following items exempted:

Crafting Ribbons such as grosgrain, nylon, polyester (our ribbons have been tested by the manufacturer already and are lead free)

Fabric such as cotton and lycra needed to make baby headbands

Ribbon hair accessories in general.

I hand craft and sell little girls hair bows, this is very important. I am a mom of 2 and small business owner. Without this exemption, my craft and everything that I love to do will go under. The money made from this pays for gas money and a few small bills.

Thank you, Felicia