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Subject: Concerns with the CPSC Portable Generator Proposed Rulemaking

Dear CPSC Commissioners and Esteemed Legislators:

I am a concerned citizen, residing at: [REDACTED] 97814.

I am writing to get the attention of my legislator and the CPSC. I am opposed to the proposed rule governing portable generators. It will be a de facto ban on these life-saving devices, as portable generators will be unavailable on store shelves everywhere. New portable generators, only available after a significant amount of time for re-development, engineering, and product testing, will likely be more expensive for average Americans. Further, the industry's own ANSI-accredited G300 standard mandates carbon monoxide sensors and automatic shutoffs for portable generators - a standard to which nearly 85% of available product already conforms!

The list of products that make life better - but that can also be dangerous (or even deadly) due to misuse and abuse - is lengthy and includes such common things as automobiles, toasters, kitchen knives, and curling irons. There is no way to 100% regulate away every potential danger from misuse. The good news is the industry's G300 standard already prevents over 98% of CO-related incidents from misuse related to portable generators.

Finally, CPSC's rule could force portable generators' exhaust temperatures over 1000 degrees Fahrenheit. Such extreme temperatures could prompt house fires and threaten the safety of anyone nearby. This is a unfortunate result when a government agency takes on the re-engineering products.

I strongly advise you to leave portable generators alone. When used properly, they are life-saving sources of secondary power — vital during storms, wildfires, and other natural disasters. They are also a mainstay at outdoor venues, including campgrounds and tailgates. Portable generators are both vital tools on constructions sites and bring joy as they alight outdoor parties. These proposed changes will take away this resource, and likely cause more harm.

Sincerely,

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