

Technologies, Inc., Canada. *Intended Use:* The instrument is intended to be used to measure limb movements of monkey subjects performing reach-to-grasp tasks. Electrical signals derived from individual brain cells will be correlated with parameters of movement in order to determine how information is encoded in the signals that the brain uses to communicate with the muscles. This research is relevant to neuro-prosthetics, spinal chord injury, stroke and motor rehabilitation. The dimensions of the testing chamber require that the infra red position markers can operate at a minimum distance of 0.6 m. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* March 5, 2007.

Faye Robinson,

*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff,
Import Administration.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Notice Announcing the Americas Competitiveness Forum and Opportunities for Sponsorship and Media Partnership

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: U.S. Secretary of Commerce Carlos Gutierrez will host the inaugural Americas Competitiveness Forum on June 11-12, 2007, in Atlanta. This notice announces the Americas Competitiveness Forum and opportunities for sponsorship and media partnership.

DATES: The Americas Competitiveness Forum will be held on June 11-12, 2007. Applications for sponsorship and media partnership should be received no later than May 4, 2007.

ADDRESSES: For sponsorship opportunities please contact Alex Feldman, International Trade Administration at 202-482-2867 or Alex.Feldman@mail.doc.gov. For media partnership opportunities please contact Charles Skuba, Director of Public Affairs, International Trade Administration at 202-482-3809. Registration for the Forum can be found at <http://trade.gov/competitiveness/acf/registration.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Americas Competitiveness Forum at ACF@mail.doc.gov or call the International Trade Administration at 1-800-USA-Trade or 202-482-0543.

Additional information can be found at <http://trade.gov/competitiveness/acf/index.asp>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: U.S. Secretary of Commerce Carlos Gutierrez will host the inaugural Americas Competitiveness Forum on June 11-12, 2007, in Atlanta.

The Americas Competitiveness Forum (ACF) will provide a venue for government ministers from the Western Hemisphere to come together with leaders from the private sector, academia, and non-governmental organizations, to explore cutting edge ideas and best practices in several key areas of competitiveness.

The ACF's main tracks are:

- Sparking and sustaining innovation;
- Creating solutions in education and workforce development;
- Designing successful global supply chain strategies; and
- Fostering small business development and growth.

The ACF intends to serve as an on-going vehicle for governments, the private sector, academia, and non-governmental organizations to explore best practices and case studies on the issue of competitiveness in the Western Hemisphere. By highlighting practical examples, the ACF intends to provide information for decision makers to take steps to strengthen competitiveness in each country and in the region, in general.

Dated: April 12, 2007.

Alysia Wilson,

Director of Programs, Western Hemisphere.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request—Consumer Focus Groups

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On January 18, 2007, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC or Commission) published a notice in accordance with provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) (PRA), to announce the agency's intention to seek approval for a collection of information to be conducted through Consumer Focus Groups. 72 FR 2264. The Commission now announces that it is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for

approval of that collection of information.

The Commission received two comments. Both commenters, Safe Kids Worldwide (Safe Kids) and Carol Pollack-Nelson, supported the collection of information because it would inform the Commission's plans in the areas of public education, recall effectiveness, product research and voluntary standards development. Safe Kids requested that a special emphasis be placed on children's products. Safe Kids also requested that the focus groups and any subsequent reports resulting from the focus groups be made available to the public. Staff is currently developing the format for specific focus groups and will evaluate whether making such focus groups and any resulting reports public may be useful after the program is fully operational.

The information collected from the Consumer Focus Groups will help inform the Commission's evaluation of consumer products and product use by providing insight and information into consumer perceptions and usage patterns. Such information may also assist the Commission in its efforts to support voluntary standards activities, and help the staff identify areas regarding consumer safety issues that need additional research. In addition, based on the information obtained, the staff may be able to provide safety information to the public that is easier to read and is more easily understood by a wider range of consumers. The Consumer Focus Groups also may be used to solicit consumer opinions and feedback regarding the effectiveness of product recall communications and in determining what action is being taken by consumers in response to such communications and why. This may aid in tailoring future recall activities to increase the success of those activities. If this information is not collected, the Commission may not have available certain useful information regarding consumer experiences, opinions, and perceptions related to specific product use, which the Commission uses, in part, in its ongoing efforts to improve the safety of consumer products on behalf of consumers.

Additional Information About the Request for Approval of a Collection of Information

Agency address: Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814.

Title of information collection: Consumer Focus Groups.

Type of request: Approval of collection of information.