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The Honorable Bart Stupak
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The Honorable Ed Whitfield
Ranking Member
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Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation
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Dear Chairman Stupak and Ranking Member Whitfield:

Thank you for your continued oversight regarding a multitude of issues of national concern. In recent months, this committee has conducted an aggressive investigation regarding a variety of recalled products that could cause serious harm to consumers. Thank you again for your leadership regarding this important safety issue.

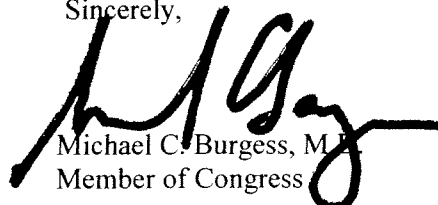
Unfortunately the trend seems to be continuing, and once again we are faced with five additional child toy product recalls that were manufactured in the People's Republic of China. For your information, I have enclosed the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's press releases.

While this committee has held some hearings regarding product safety issues, we must be willing to address this specific issue regarding products from China.

As you may recall, in July, Congressman Greg Walden and I sent a letter to you, urging the committee to conduct an intense investigation on the recall of Thomas the Train and other recalled products made in the People's Republic of China. While this issue was briefly discussed in a following hearing, to my knowledge, the committee has not conducted an intense investigation regarding products manufactured in the Republic of China. Congress has a duty to investigate this most troubling issue, and we must do everything within our power to keep our citizens safe. **Once more, I strongly urge the leadership of this committee to conduct an intense bipartisan investigation regarding the increasing consumer product recalls from the People's Republic of China.** We cannot allow this dangerous trend to continue.

Thank you again for your time and consideration regarding this imperative issue. I look forward to further discussing this matter with each of you. As always, if we can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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