

# 2008 AHAM CPSC Seminar: How Secure are your Supply Chain Links?

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# Supply Chain Challenges

- Cargo Theft
- Terrorism
  - C-TPAT
  - 100% Scanning
  - 10+2
  - Bioterrorism Act
- Product Safety
  - CPSIA
  - Lacey Act



# CPSIA Requirements

- Certifications
  - Who's responsible?
  - “Accompany” and “Furnish”
  - Protection of business confidential information
  - Paper process?
- Third Party Testing
  - What products needs testing?
  - Qualification and availability of testing
  - Impact on Lead time?



# Working with Agencies

- Need Guidance for compliance
- Quick implementation timelines
- Need flexibility
  - Supply Chains are different and complex
  - Rules must recognize business processes
    - Electronic vs. paper
- Multiple agencies involved
  - Limited resources
  - Agency cooperation
  - International cooperation

# Working with Supply Chain Partners

- Education is critical
  - Internal (sourcing, compliance, customs, logistics, etc.)
  - Vendor partners
  - Government Agencies
- Best practices
- Use of limited resources