

With Signs Pointing to Rising Civil Penalties by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Companies Should Prepare Now for Future Enforcement

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The article discusses the rising costs and frequency of civil penalty investigations by the Consumer Product Safety Commission and focuses on a March 2010 consent decree between the CPSC and Daiso Holding USA Inc. that resulted in a \$2 million civil penalty and extensive injunctive relief. The article examines the Daiso complaint and consent decree and the Final Rule on civil penalty factors, then provides guidance to companies on how these developments could affect future civil penalty investigations.