

OVERVIEW OF THE ROLE OF 3RD PARTIES IN U.S. APPROACH TO CONSUMER PROTECTION

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UL OPERATES IN MORE THAN 143
COUNTRIES



AND ACROSS
MORE THAN

20

UL HAS ENHANCED TRANSACTION SECURITY FOR:



500+ banks20+ paymentschemes

60+ mobile network operators

50+ governments/ transport operators

MORE THAN 1,600

STANDARDS DEFINING SAFETY, security, quality and sustainability



SCIENCE & GLOBAL EXPERTISE



UL'S SUSTAINABILITY CERTIFICATIONS

are referenced in... SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT

900+

SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS OR PURCHASING GUIDELINES AROUND THE GLOBE



1 OUT OF 3
FORTUNE 500
COMPANIES



WORKING FOR A SAFER WORLD since 1894





UL REACHES MORE THAN

1 BILLION



GLOBAL CONSUMERS
ANNUALLY WITH SAFETY MESSAGES



BRAND PRESENCE 22 BILLION
PRODUCTS GLOBALLY

3 % 4 0 0 0 0

U.S. CONSUMERS are FAMILIAR WITH THE UL MARK



UL WORKS TO PROTECT THE MARKET FROM COUNTERFEIT GOODS

IN 2015 ALONE, UL PARTICIPATED IN 506 SEIZURES, ELIMINATING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS FROM THE MARKET



THE CHALLENGE: CAN THERE BE QUALITY **WITHOUT TRUST?**

54%₩ OF COMPANIES

AND ARE UNABLE TO TRACK **RISKS. SUSTAINABILITY** PRACTICES OR PROBLEM AREAS

ONLY 3% OF CONSUMERS FIND ADVERTISED BRAND CLAIMS BELIEVABLE

10% OF MEDICINES AND HIGH-TECH PRODUCTS **SOLD WORLDWIDE ARE** COUNTERFEIT **COUNTERFEITING IS AN ISSUE** ACROSS ALL MARKET SEGMENTS

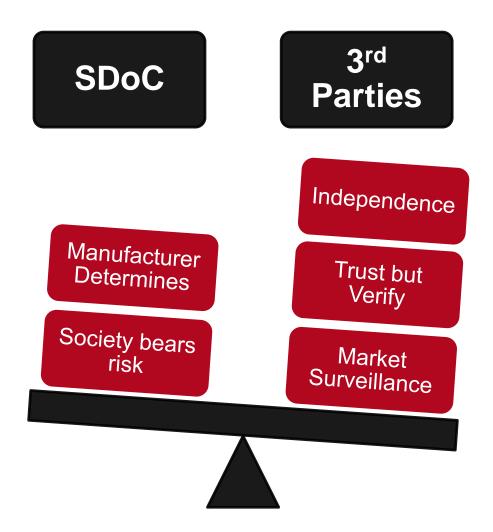


OF CONSUMERS BELIEVE **MANUFACTURERS VALUE SALES PRODUCT SAFETY**



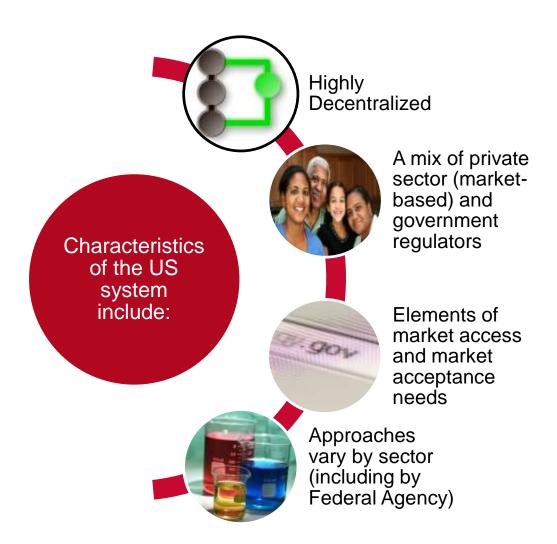


Standards Don't Guarantee Success – The Role of Conformity Assessment





US Product Safety System





OMB Circular A-119: Goals

Eliminate costs of developing in-house standards. Decrease cost of goods and services procured by the government. Minimize burden of complying with agency regulation. Provide incentives/opportunities to establish standards that serve national needs. Encourage long-term growth for US enterprises. Promote efficiency and economic competition. Further the government's policy of reliance upon the private sector to supply goods and services needed by the Federal Government.



Federal Regulatory System: Market Acceptance



Several federal agencies mandate product conformity and accredit private sector providers.



The NRTL Program and Benefits of Relying on Private Sector Organizations

OSHA's Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NTRL) Program recognizes private sector organizations as NRTLs to determine that specific products meet consensus-based safety standards to provide the assurance that these products are safe for use in the US workplace.

How does OSHA benefit from reliance on private sector NRTLs?

- Recognition Process that Preserves Confidence
- Reduces Government Costs
- Lessens OSHA's Market Surveillance Burdens
- Positively Affects the Development of Standards
- Promotes International Trade

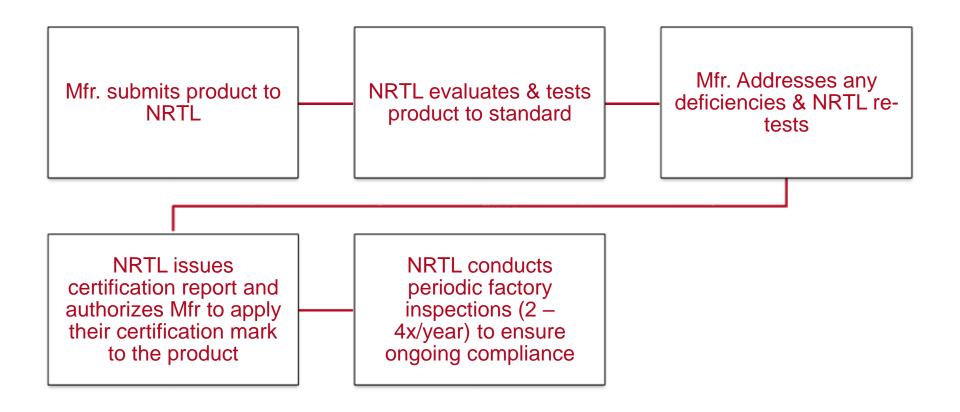


Requirements for a NRTL

- Demonstrated capability to perform testing and examining of equipment/materials to determine conformance with appropriate test standards
- The NRTL must provide the following controls or services:
 - Implements control procedures for identifying the listed and labeled equipment/materials
 - Inspects the run of product at factories for product evaluation purposes to assure conformance to test standards
 - Conducts field inspections to monitor and assure proper use of its identifying mark or labels on products.

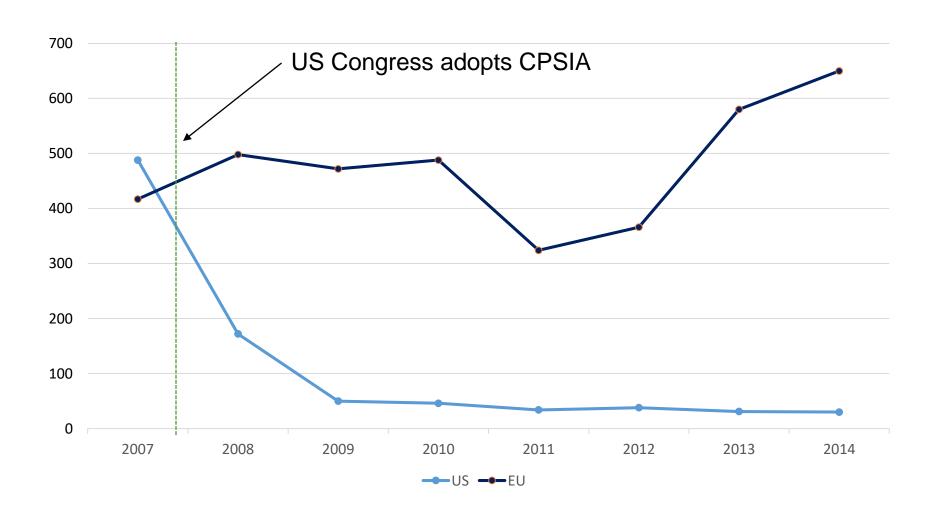


OSHA NRTL Process





Toy recalls/notifications in the EU and US





A CRISIS & RESPONSE UNFOLD...



UL team
works to
develop a
draft
hoverboards
standard



UL announces new UL 2272

UL holds first standards technical panel meeting UL 2272
achieves
consensus as a
bi-national
standard
(ANSI/CAN) &
broadened to
cover other
types of emobility
products

Mid-Nov – Dec 1, 2015

Dec 2015-Jan. 2016

Jan 2016

Feb 2

Feb 18

Mar 8

July 6

Nov 21

Late 2016/2017

 UL technical team is alerted to issue

 News of hoverboards fires gains media attention

- First draft of UL 2272 written
- Meetings w/key retailers
- Meeting w/US CPSC

CPSC issues guidance outlining expectation of compliance to UL 2272



CPSC announces 10-firm recall

standard

UL 2272 electrical

UL 2272 shared with IEC

to be added to ASTM

requirements proposed

 UL, CPSC, and others offer training to battery manufacturers in China



COMPLEXITY IS THE PROBLEM.

TRUST

IS THE SOLUTION.

- Powers smarter decisions
- Makes brands easier to choose
- Makes supply chains simpler to manage
- Makes differentiation quicker to achieve



THANK YOU

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