Secretary, Federal Trade Commission
Room H-159
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re: 16 CFR Part 453
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Dear Sir:

A few years ago, a family member was cremated. An inexpensive coffin was selected. The time allotted to the family/friends' visitation was three hours. A clergyman (our selection) read a eulogy in the funeral room (our cost). Two days later we scattered her ashes in a cardboard box. The cost $2,800.00

Is this a reasonable cost?
What happens to the
casket at cremation? Is it
burned with the body, or,
does the funeral home
re-use it?

I plan to arrange for
my cremation service sometime
this year. Are there any
rules on this cost?

The funeral home (Jacob
Schoen & Son, in New Orleans)
is currently owned by Loewen
Corporation, currently being

sued by the State of Mississippi. The news articles did not specifically mention Loewen's malpractice activities or the reason for the suit.

We have used this funeral home for family members for over fifty years. Now, I wonder.

Your articles, or planned legislation, or planned rulings would be welcome.

Sincerely

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