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Dear Sirs:

Please be advised that as a health care administrator I am very much in support of the proposed standard on changes for testing and certifying air purifying respirators used for TB control. Our organization has made repeated attempts to receive respirators but are consistently told they are on back order. It is also reassuring to see that cost containment is being considered in the new proposals. We feel these are important first steps in improving the certification process for respiratory devices for protection against TB and other biologic hazards in the health care setting. We do recognize the need for a certification process that recognizes the CDC's performance criteria and further support the effort to have these new testing and certification procedures on the market for more practical and economic respiratory protection for our health care workers as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

*M. Bell RN*

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Administrative Director

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