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RE: Proposed 42 CFR 84

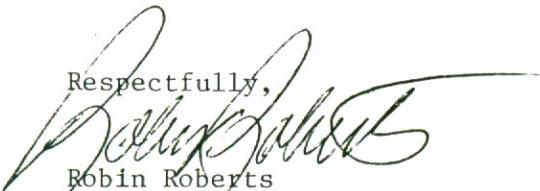
Gentlemen;

We are opposed to the proposed criterion for respiratory protection certification. Our reasons include: 1) Apparent focus of criterion based on standards that only reflect realistic needs of only 10% of the nations respirator use; 2) The certain increase in the cost of respiratory protection to the respirator manufacturers and end-users; and 3) The deleterious effect on worker safety.

Our recommendations are: 1) That proposed 42 CFR 84 be rewritten; 2) NIOSH should continue testing respirators as part of the certification protocol; and 3) Work place testing should only be instituted when technology is developed to make it reliable.

Please accept our hesitancy concerning this proposal.

Respectfully,

  
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