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**Comments**

This e-mail is to ask for your help in addressing NIOSH's proposal to change 42 CFR part 84, Subpart J, Athens Fire & Rescue opposes inclusion of the Cylinders and Cylinder Valves ("Cylinders") as part of the approval process for Supplied Air Respirators (SAR's & SAR/SCBA) for the following reasons.

1. Increase cost of Cylinders
2. User will have fewer cylinder choices to select from
3. Reduced Cylinder innovation
4. Interoperability issues
5. Other economic concerns