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Comments

Please consider updating 42CFR Part 84 to allow the NIOSH approval for the air pack and bottle separately. Currently the air pack manufacturers are requiring the purchase of the pack and bottle as one unit, this is not cost efficient for the end user. The bottles that Scott Health and Safety sell are rated for a 15 year life span and cost more than the bottles from SCI for example that are rated for a 30 year life span. For a municipal agency in challenging budget times this makes it impractical to purchase the bottles from Scott. The bottles from Scott are not manufactured by Scott; they are just a middle man with another mark up in price. The bottles used by all manufactures are DOT approved and tested on a regular basis. Please consider the financial burden that this technicality places on municipalities across the country by not allowing us the freedom to purchase the air pack and bottle separately.

Thank You

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