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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in support of the proposed standard for improving the certification process for respiratory devices for protection against TB and other biologic hazards in the health care setting. We in health care recognize the need for a certification process that addresses the CDC's performance criteria for respiratory protection against TB that should be acceptable for most health care worker needs.

May I point out the urgency of implementing these new testing and certification procedures in order to open up the market for more practical and economical respiratory protection for health care workers against TB.

Sincerely,

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