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NIOSH Docket Office
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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is in regard to 42 CFR Part 84, "Respiratory Protective Devices; Proposed Rule" published in the Federal Register on May 24, 1994.

I support this proposed standard as an important first step in improving the certification process for respiratory devices to protect health care workers against Tuberculosis and other airborne diseases. The new testing and certification procedure should be implemented as soon as possible, so that more practical and economic respiratory protection is available. The current standard is neither practical or economically feasible.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
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