LETTER TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT: National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory Public Meeting

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory (NPPTL), will conduct a public stakeholder meeting on October 12 and 13, 2006, at the Crowne Plaza Pittsburgh South (formerly Holiday Inn Select), 164 Fort Couch Road, Pittsburgh (Bethel Park), Pennsylvania. The meeting will be held on October 12, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and on October 13, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Registration will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. on both days.

New programs for the approval of Powered, Air-Purifying Respirators (PAPRs), Total Inward Leakage (TIL), the Quality Assurance (QA) module, and the Administrative module will be discussed. In addition, current and future research projects for personal protective technology will be presented, and opportunity for discussion will follow the presentations. Detailed information will be provided in the federal register announcement that will be posted in the near future.

Interested parties should make hotel reservations directly with the Crowne Plaza Pittsburgh South (412-833-5300 / 1-800-HOLIDAY) before the cut-off date of September 18, 2006. You must reference the NIOSH/NPPTL Public Meeting to receive the special group rate of $91 per night that has been negotiated for meeting guests.

Please confirm your attendance to this meeting by completing a registration form and submitting it to NPPTL Event Management. You may register electronically by accessing the on-line registration link at this website, or you can download the Adobe PDF form and send it by e-mail to npptlevents@cdc.gov or fax it to 304-225-2003.

For additional information, please contact NPPTL Event Management, 3604 Collins Ferry Road, Suite 100, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505-2353, Telephone 304-225-5138, Fax 304-225-2003, E-mail npptlevents@cdc.gov.

Sincerely,

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