Reevaluation of the NIOSH policy on emergency escape support breathing system or “buddy-breather” device used with open-circuit self-contained breathing apparatus

Panel Discussion

December 9, 2010
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- Identify yourself and the company or organization that you represent

- All comments and questions shall be officially recorded in the Docket Number 147 that will be open for public review

- NIOSH-NPPTL encourages participants who ask questions or make comments to submit their questions or comments directly to Docket Number 147 in writing

- Docket Comment Period Closes January 30, 2011
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Input Sought from Manufacturers and Other Stakeholders:

- Viewpoints and experience on the current policy
- What research has already been completed related to the current policy
- What, if any research is needed to support rescinding, reaffirming, or modifying this policy
- Recommendations on SCBA technology and performance enhancements that would enhance user safety during the emergency use of a buddy-breathing device
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- Recommendations on SCBA technology safeguards to prevent issues of concern related to the use of an emergency escape support breathing system

- Viewpoints on minimum performance standard requirements and test procedures that could be used to evaluate an emergency escape support breathing system

- Other comments on the subject
Information Docket
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