

Manufacturer Meetings for Non-U.S. Manufacturers FY13 (927ZJGT)

Objective

To provide additional meeting locales with easier access for foreign manufacturers. Over 60% of NIOSH approved respirator manufacturing facilities are outside of the continental US.

Face to face meetings would improve communication and provide an opportunity for training manufacturers in all aspects of the approval process.

Applicable standards

- 42 CFR Part 84

Key Partners

- Respirator Manufacturers
- ISEA
- China Medical University
- HSE Great Britain
- The Public Health Institute of Chile (ISP)

Stakeholders

- Manufacturers
- Respirator Users

Project Scope

- Manufacturers meeting will be held annually in an International location (Europe; Asia; South/North America) to accommodate off shore manufactures
- Meetings will be combined with site visits to manufacturing facilities

Milestones

- No meeting will be held this year and project is being transferred into PP22 if resources exist to continue with these meetings.

Outputs

- The Public Health Institute of Chile (ISP) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) of USA co-sponsored a three day conference and workshop entitled "International Technological Meeting on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) ISP-NIOSH/NPPTL" in May 2012.
- Presentations at meeting, improved communication with foreign manufacturers
- Reduction in application problems with offshore manufacturers
- NPPTL training for offshore manufacturers

Outcomes

- Improved respiratory protection in the workplace
- Increased number of approved respirator available commercially

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