

Certified Product Investigation Process (CPIP) – FY13 (927PP19)

Objective

To maintain the quality of NIOSH Certified respiratory protective devices used in the field by investigating and resolving reports of product nonconformance issues in a timely manner.

Stakeholders

- Respirator users
- Enforcement agencies
- Emergency Responders
- Respirator manufacturers Worldwide

Key Partners

- NFPA
- IAFF
- SEI
- MSHA
- OSHA
- FDA
- EPA

Project Scope

- Communicate and interact with manufacturers and distributors world-wide.
- Respond to external and internal reports with highly variable demand levels.
- Establish and enforce accountability for nonconformances.
- Review and evaluate proposed resolutions and corrective actions from approval holders to ensure conformance to the criteria listed in 42 CFR, Part 84.

Outputs mid-year FY13

- 15 CPIP investigations opened (30 for FY12)
- 12 CPIP investigations completed (24 for FY12)
- 4 User Notices issued (excluding rescissions)
- 3 NIOSH Approvals rescinded

Outcomes

- Ensure that NIOSH approved respiratory devices continue to meet or exceed the criteria on which the approval was based.
- Improved respirator components.

Updated: 1 Apr 2013