

Evaluation, Certification and Coordination Activities

FY15 (927PP20)

Objective

- Coordinates and provides leadership to branch activities in conformity assessment of respiratory protection equipment and standards development activities.
- Provides for manufacturer meeting and support activities
- Provides support for international coordination activities for testing and evaluation
- Coordinates site and product audit activities
- Provides technical support for manufacturers and users

Applicable standards

- 42 CFR 84
- CBRN Statement of Standards.
- 29 CFR 1910.134

Stakeholders

Manufacturers
Users
NFPA
OSHA
SDOs

Key Partners

- USA and International Respirator Manufacturers
- OSHA: FDA
- ISEA, NFPA, AIHA, ANSI, ISO
- Inter-Agency Board (IAB)
- NIOSH partners

Milestones

- Evaluation of a new 3M End-of-Service Life Indicator (ESLI) for organic vapor (OV) cartridges.
- Oversight of ECBC re-established
- Preliminary establishment of oversight for 3rd party laboratories
- Fee Revision published in the Federal Register

Project Scope

- Support activities for all Branch projects
- Oversight of relevant third party labs
- Travel in support of domestic/international approval activities
- Improvement/updates of test methods
- Liaise with partners

Outputs

- 4/6 SCBA approval holders have obtained NIOSH approval for CBRN SCBAs.
- Two Cap 1 CCERs for non-mining have been approved per 42 CFR Part 84, Subpart O

Outcomes

- Improved respiratory protection in the workplace
- Coordinated approval of NFPA 1981:2013 Edition SCBA with SEI

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