

Joseph G. Brum, Administrator/G. Sam Ahern, Associate Administrator

June 24, 1994

NIOSH Docket Office Robert A. Taft Laboratories Mail Stop C34 4678 Columbia Parkway Cincinnati, Ohio 45226

Dear Sir:

This is in regards to the proposed rule on respiratory protective devices for health care facilities.

We are in support of the proposed standard as the first step in improving the certification process. This step in this process would finally address the health care setting.

We feel that the 95% filter efficiency should be acceptable for the needs of most health care workers. Our needs are much different from the industrial setting. We must look at cost, usage problems as well as comfort and safety of the health care worker.

Thank you for your consideration of our needs in improving this certification process.

Sincer

Dr. Nizar

Infection Control Committee Chairman

Jo Middlebrooks, RN, CIC

Coordinator of Infection Control

1111 & 1984