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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of your proposed rule on respiratory protective devices, which addresses changing the current testing and certification of respirators used for TB control. The primary interest of Infection Control/Employee Health at our institution is the well-being of our patients and staff. Because of this, we highly endorse your efforts to develop a respirator certification process utilizing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's criteria for respiratory protection. In the present climate of health care reform, we believe it is imperative that all agencies and institutions work together to provide the most practical, effective and cost-efficient solutions to protecting both health care workers and their patients.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,

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