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Gentlemen:

The Mine Safety Appliances Company wishes to participate in the public meeting you are holding in Washington, D.C. on January 27 and 28, 1988, regarding 42 CFR Part 84.

I am the Product Line Manager for Air-Purifying Respirators and will be the spokesman for Mine Safety Appliances Company. Our company address is:

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We would like to present our views on the economic impact of the proposed rule on MSA, as well as addressing the consequences of the proposed rule on the users of respiratory protection equipment. We request the maximum amount of time which we understand is 15 minutes.

Yours truly,

R. D. Grunberg

Product Line Manager

cc: ISEA