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Comments

I support the idea of NIOSH updating 42 CFR Part 84 to allow for a "Separate Cylinder approval and eliminate the cylinder from the ensemble approval. Doing so will save fire departments large sums of money in a time of budget crunching and budget cuts. I recently went through this very issue with Scott Health and safety. It cost my department because we didn't want to lose the remaining warranty we had left on our paks because we bought a bottle that met all DOT standards, but just didn't have the Scott name on it. Departments across the country are being held hostage by these manufacturers for no other reason than greed. I believe as long as a bottle meets and or exceeds the DOT standard it is acceptable to be used. Thanks for your consideration and we hope for a favorable change.