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Subject: NIOSH Respirator Approvals to be Revoked

NIOSH RESPIRATOR USER NOTICE

Subject: Global Secure Safety Products, Inc. (formerly Neoterik) Respirators will be listed on CEL as Obsolete and Certificates of Approval will be Revoked

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is issuing this notice to inform respirator users that Global Secure Safety Products., Inc. is no longer producing NIOSH-approved respirators or replacement parts and is not planning to resume production in the future. Global Secure Safety Products, Inc. stopped production of respirators in April 2008 and has ceased doing business.

NIOSH intends to revoke Global Secure Safety Products., Inc. certificates of approvals on December 31, 2009. These approvals are as follows:

APPROVAL #	RESPIRATOR	APPROVAL #	RESPIRATOR
TC-19C-0200		TC-21C-0454	
TC-19C-0233		TC-21C-0457	
TC-19C-0240		TC-21C-0458	
TC-19C-0241		TC-21C-0460	NP2100
TC-19C-0416	CB 14 SAR Model NP 1799	TC-21C-0461	NP2100-1, NP2100-2
		TC-21C-0482	NP2100-5PD; -6PD; -7PD; -8PD
TC-21C-0252	Breezer AB3 or HH3	TC-21C-0646	2500-5H
TC-21C-0263	AB4, VB4, SB4, HH4, VH4, SH4	TC-21C-0647	2500-6H
TC-21C-0269	GET, GVT, GST, GEE, GVE, GSE	TC-21C-0680	TF3 PAPR w Supertop hood
TC-21C-0270	AB10, VB10, SB10, HH10, VH10, SH10	TC-21C-0681	TF3 PAPR w Safetytop hood
TC-21C-0285	AB8, VB8, SB8, HH8, VH8, SH8	TC-21C-0682	TF3 PAPR w Welding hood
TC-21C-0286	Breezer AB7, HH7		
TC-21C-0327	1562-1	TC-23C-0625	
TC-21C-0330		TC-23C-0626	
TC-21C-0402	MB14 PAPR	TC-23C-0627	
TC-21C-0403		TC-23C-0628	
TC-21C-0404		TC-23C-0637	
TC-21C-0405		TC-23C-0638	
TC-21C-0408		TC-23C-0639	
TC-21C-0425		TC-23C-0640	

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TC-21C-0446		TC-23C-1421	
TC-21C-0447		TC-23C-1441	
TC-21C-0448		TC-23C-1442	
TC-21C-0449		TC-23C-1443	
TC-21C-0450		TC-23C-1444	
TC-21C-0451		TC-23C-1445	

Until December 31, 2009, these respirators will be listed on the NIOSH Certified Equipment List (CEL) as being obsolete, meaning that the Global Secure Safety Products, Inc. is not presently producing these respirators and there are no plans for production to resume. Respirators listed as obsolete on the CEL can be used by the consumer where approved respirators are required as long as they can be maintained in original condition. **Maintaining the respirator in original condition requires the use of original replacement parts and factory service as specified by the approval holder. Respirators which cannot be properly serviced or maintained are no longer in an approved configuration and cease to be approved.** As a result of the dissolution of Global Secure Safety Products, Inc. there are no authorized service facilities or sources of new parts for these respirators.

NIOSH will revoke the approvals of these respirators on December 31, 2009. Revoked status means that the respirators in question will no longer be listed as NIOSH-approved respirators. Once revoked, respirators bearing these approval numbers may no longer be manufactured, assembled, sold, or distributed as NIOSH-approved respirators. Furthermore, they may not be used where NIOSH-approved respirators are required regardless of the current state of maintenance.

For more information, please call the Technology Evaluation Branch at 412-386-4000.