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Please be advised that a number of our Constant Flow respirators are immediately discontinued. This is based on the voluntary obsolescence by MSA of the NIOSH approvals (TC-19C-078 and TC-19C-113) associated with these Constant Flow respirators. Based on an internal review, it has come to our attention that over a period of time from September 9th, 2015 through May 7th, 2018, some Constant Flow Respirators were manufactured and shipped to customers after the voluntary obsolescence of the associated NIOSH approvals.

Please be assured that all Constant Flow respirators shipped between September 9th, 2015 and May 7th, 2018 are safe to use as the obsolescence was a voluntary business decision unrelated to product performance. No product changes or enhancements to the respirators have occurred after the obsolescence of the NIOSH approvals. We have notified and continue to communicate with NIOSH as it relates to this voluntary withdraw of the approvals. Based on these communications, all Constant Flow respirators that are currently in use may continue to be used based on their prior approval.

Moving forward, the only Constant Flow respirator(s) that are available for manufacture and shipment will be versions that include the Advantage 4000 facepiece. Please note that although Constant Flow respirators with alternate facepieces may no longer be ordered as complete respirators as the NIOSH approvals have been obsoleted, the component and replacement parts such as breathing tubes, control valves and replacement facepieces may continue to be ordered for support of all Constant Flow respirators already in the field.

Again, only the Constant Flow respirator with the Advantage 4000 facepiece will continued to be manufactured and shipped by MSA as a system. For all other Constant Flow respirators, only component and replacement parts will be shipped.

Thank you for your understanding. If there are further questions please contact customer service at 800-672-2222.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Bunofsky".

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