AKOSH Program Directive 05-03

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From: Grey R. Mitchell, Director


This Program Directive, PD 05-03, is formal notice that Alaska Department of Labor & Workforce Development, Division of Labor Standards & Safety will implement the amendments to 29 CFR 1910.134 Appendix A – adopting a Controlled Negative Pressure REDON Fit Testing Protocol (CNP REDON). Amendments to federal regulations adopted by reference automatically become effective in Alaska upon the federal effective date published in the Federal Register.

The change approves an additional quantitative fit testing protocol for inclusion in Appendix A of its Respiratory Protection Standard. This CNP REDON protocol requires the performance of three different test exercises followed by two redonnings of the respirator. Previously, the CNP protocol specified eight test exercises, including one redonning of the respirator. In addition to amending the CNP to include the REDON protocol, several editorial and non-substantive technical revisions to the standard have been made. Employers will now have an additional option to fit test their employees for respirator use.

This amendment became effective September 3, 2004. Please ensure that all members of your staff receive a copy of this program directive.

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