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Dear Employer:

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is surveying employers to estimate the number of companies and employees who use respirators by type of respirator and for what purposes. Your company has been selected to participate in the 2023 Survey of Respirator Use and Practices (SRUP) and I am writing to ask that you please complete it.

The SRUP is an important part of an ongoing effort to collect accurate information on respirator usage across industries. By taking this survey, you provide NIOSH with the data it needs to evaluate and improve their respirator approval program. This information helps NIOSH maintain a current understanding of respirator use in the U.S. which improves the education provided by NIOSH's respirator approval program, as well as supporting necessary respiratory protection research and development.

You are not required to participate in the survey. However, I hope you will take the opportunity to contribute to our understanding of respirator usage. I assure you that **the results will not be used in any type of enforcement activity** and NIOSH has obtained a certificate of confidentiality from NIH to protect your information from disclosure. All responses will be reported at the aggregate level and will be kept confidential.

To thank you for completing the survey, you will receive a summary of key findings for the industry of your choice.

Abt Associates, a well-known research organization, is conducting this survey on NIOSH's behalf.

To read the official announcement of this survey, please go to the NIOSH website at: [URL](#).

Thank you for helping us collect accurate information and for helping in the effort to make America's workplaces safer and healthier.

Sincerely,