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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my opposition to MSHA's proposed rule change for workplace exams. The rule as it stands is more than adequate to ensure workplace safety. Furthermore, in our experience at Everist Materials, our miners' behavior have contributed to accidents and injuries rather than workplace conditions. MSHA's proposal will force us to shift our focus away from the true causes of accidents and injuries.

Our miners are a close knit group. We know when is best to document a workplace exam, and we know who is best to conduct it. We work with each other everyday. The proposal will put undo restrictions on our judgement and could jeopardize our safety.

This proposed rule change will not result in a safer workplace. Instead it will force to spend more time on documentation and red tape and leave us with less time to actually work safely

Thank you for your consideration,

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