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**Subject:** Request for extension of time for Respirable Dust rule making

Ms. Silvey:

As you are aware, the BCOA and the UMWA have been meeting regarding the proposed respirable dust rules in an effort to find common ground regarding the proposed rule. We have made progress in our discussions, but are not yet able to submit a joint comment. Therefore, additional time will be very useful as we try to reach agreement. Thus, BCOA and the Union are jointly seeking an extension of the comment period to Friday, May 27, 2011.

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