October 28, 2019

Ms. Sheila A. McConnell
Director
Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances
Mine Safety and Health Administration
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Re: RIN 1219-AB36; Docket No. MSHA-2016-0013, Respirable Silica (Quartz)
Comments of the Industrial Minerals Association – North America

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Dear Ms. McConnell:

Please find attached the comments the Industrial Minerals Association – North America (IMA-NA) filed on October 15, 2019, on OSHA’s Request for Information on Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica – Specified Exposure Control Methods; RIN 1218-AD18; Docket No. OSHA-2010-0034, published at 84 FR 41667 et seq. (August 15, 2019). See IMA-NA Comments on OSHA RFI on RCS Table 1 (with its separate attachment IMA-NA Attachment 1). Given the references to OSHA’s Table 1 contained in the comments IMA-NA previously filed on the above-referenced MSHA docket, and discussion at MSHA’s public meeting on it held on October 17, 2019, IMA-NA believes that MSHA will benefit from having our OSHA comments on Table 1 as part of the MSHA docket.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the RFI. IMA-NA looks forward to working with MSHA on the RFI and on other issues related to occupational exposure to respirable silica (quartz).

Sincerely,

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President

Attachments:

IMA-NA Comments on OSHA RFI on RCS Table 1
IMA-NA Attachment 1 - OSHA RFI on RCS - Table 1

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