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General Comment

Please strengthen the proposed rule to require periodic silica dust testing during ALL phases of a mine's construction and operation and require mining companies to ventilate their mines and capture and eliminate dust. These are basic health and safety measures! Silica dust is dangerous to human health- without these controls, diseases like black lung will continue to cost lives.