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General Comment

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposed rule on silica dust.

I hope you will specifically require periodic silica dust testing during all phases of a mine's construction and operation. Also, the rule should require mining companies to ventilate their mines or capture or eliminate dust.

Respiratory problems for anyone in the vicinity of these mines are terrible and should be prevented if at all possible.

Thank you.