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Thanks for this chance to comment.

We have two comments:

First off, we'd like to state that to having more ways for approval sounds promising provided the VCss are equally safe as stated in the proposal and if MSHA has a final review of these products. We've heard some approval agencies have no history with mining and have never seen a working underground mine.

Secondly, we're hesitant to the affect that removing MSHA requirements will have on the industry. Its our understanding that some products such as high amp longwall power supplies among other things that meet MSHA requirements would not be accepted by any off the VCSs listed. If the goal is to have more approved equipment available, it seems conflicting to phase out equipment that's proven safe. Eliminating such products will reduce available equipment and have a cost impact on the industry.