



August 1, 2025

Ms. Amanda Laihow  
Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor  
for Occupational Safety and Health  
U.S. Department of Labor

Submitted electronically via *Regulations.gov*

RE: Request for 90-day extension of the public comment period on the proposed changes to the Medical Evaluation Requirements in the Respiratory Protection Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0006; Cotton Dust Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0011; Cotton Dust Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0011; Methylene Chloride Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0012; 13 Carcinogens Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0013; Coke Oven Emissions Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0014; Vinyl Chloride Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0015; Inorganic Arsenic Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0016; Acrylonitrile Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0017; Ethylene Oxide Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0018; 1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0019; 1,3 Butadiene Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0020; Cadmium Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0021; Lead Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0022; Benzene Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-2023; Asbestos Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-2024; Methylenedianile Standard, Docket No. OSHA-2025-0025.

Dear Ms. Laihow:

On behalf of the Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Section of the American Public Health Association (APHA), we are writing to request that the comment period for the above referenced proposed rules be extended by at least 90 days. The number of proposed rules and the substance of the proposed changes warrant thoughtful consideration. This will require more than the 60 days provided by the *Federal Register* notices published on July 1, 2025. We are requesting the extensions in order to assess fully the implications on workers' health and prepare meaningful written comments.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kerri A. Wizner' with a stylized flourish at the end.

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