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We anticipate that, in the 4th quarter of 2013, the Bullard PA30IS Powered Air-Purifying Respirator (PAPR) will no longer carry the Factory Mutual (FM) Certification for Intrinsic Safety. If customers want to buy PA30IS PAPRs with the FM approval label, they should place orders no later than September 1, 2013. Any shipments made on or before the delisting date will still carry the FM approval label, and Bullard will continue to support existing customers with repair, service, and replacement parts after the delisting date.

In order to continue to meet your respiratory needs, Bullard offers two options:

1. Customers may purchase the EVAHL, which combines the ergonomic design and cutting-edge technology of the EVA with approval for use in Hazardous Locations. This PAPR is approved by CSA for use in Class I, Div. 2, Groups A, B, C, D; Class II, Div. 2, Groups F, G; and Class III locations per ANSI/ISEA 12.12.01-2007. To assist with your product transition, a rebate program is currently available and offers $200 cash back on EVAHL blowers and systems purchased through August 16, 2013 (see www.bullard.com/evahl for details).

2. Customers may continue to purchase PA30IS systems, blowers, and battery packs. These products will continue to be NIOSH-approved and to offer the same high level of performance and protection that they always have. Furthermore, these will continue to be manufactured with the same components and to the same specifications for Class I, Div. 1, Groups C, D; Class II, Div. 1, Groups E,F,G; and Class III, Div. 1, per FM 3610:1988. However, they will no longer be listed by Factory Mutual.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact your local Bullard Regional Sales Manager or Bullard Customer Service at 877-BULLARD (285-5273).

Sincerely,

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