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## NIOSH RESPIRATOR USER NOTICE

### **Subject: Misleading Representation of the Mainstays Projects Respirator as a NIOSH-Approved N95 Respirator**

It has been brought to the attention of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) that Allways Tools Inc. is importing and selling a Particulate Respirator identified as **Mainstays Projects (RSP1MS)** as a NIOSH-approved respirator. These respirators are being sold at Wal-Mart Stores.

The Mainstays Projects (RSP1MS) respirator is individually packaged and improperly labeled with the NIOSH N95 logo on the face of the respirator (pictured below).

A NIOSH approval is issued to a respirator only after it has been evaluated in the laboratory and found to comply with all the requirements of Title 42, *Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 84, including a review of the manufacturer's quality plan. The Mainstays Projects RSP1MS Particulate Respirator is **not** certified and approved by NIOSH.

Sincerely yours,

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