

## OSHA Requests Information on Table 1 of the Silica Standard for Construction

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recently issued a Request for Information (RFI) on Table 1 of the agency's Respirable Crystalline Silica Standard for Construction. OSHA is requesting information on the effectiveness of engineering and work practice control methods not currently included for the tasks and equipment listed on Table 1 of the Respirable Crystalline Silica standard for construction.

The agency is also requesting information on tasks and equipment involving exposure to respirable crystalline silica that are not currently listed on Table 1, along with information on the effectiveness of engineering and work practice control methods in limiting worker exposure to respirable crystalline silica when performing those tasks.

Last, OSHA is requesting information and comment on whether there are additional circumstances where it would be appropriate to permit employers covered by the Respirable Crystalline Silica standards for general industry and maritime to comply with the silica standard for construction. This RFI requests comment and information, including exposure data, which could assist the agency in assessing whether revisions to the standards may be appropriate.