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# ***RoboVent Responds: New Silica Exposure Limits***

**Sterling Heights, Mich. (Apr. 15, 2016)** — On March 25, 2016, OSHA released its final rule on crystalline silica exposure, which cuts permissible exposure limits (PELs) in half from the previous limits to 50 micrograms per cubic meter of air ( $\mu$ /cu.m.). RoboVent is committed to helping our clients in these industries address the new standards in the most effective and economical way possible. As part of our ongoing mission to improve lives through clean air, we are creating resources and templates to help our clients develop silica exposure plans required by the new rule.

In light of the scientific evidence linking silica exposure to serious health impacts such as silicosis, lung cancer, chronic bronchitis and kidney failure, we believe that the new OSHA rule is an important and necessary step to protect workers in silica-producing industries. General Manager and Co-Founder Jim Reid said, "Our focus on improving lives goes beyond today. In the case of silica, we want to improve lives not only for workers in silica environments, but also for their families, today and in the future."

"Exposure to harmful, airborne elements causes problems for manufacturers and individuals," says Frank Cea, Director of Communication and Outreach. "Broadly, these include health issues for employees and inefficient plant operations.

Manufacturers that already meet this regulation (and have for years) won't have much to worry about with the new ruling. We're happy to call many of these companies satisfied clients. We know that implementing a clean air solution promotes a healthy environment for employees, decreases airborne toxins, increases productivity and lowers costs. Manufacturers partner with us to meet ACGIH and OSHA guidelines in order make their operations more efficient and increase profitability even in the face of more stringent regulation. And, it all takes place regardless of their position on the regulatory matters. We look forward to serving many additional companies and helping them meet and exceed regulatory requirements as well as streamlining their plant operations. It's our duty to do this as stewards of clean air and as the leading innovator for industrial ventilation solutions."

## **About RoboVent**

During the past 25 years RoboVent has established itself as leader in the field of air filtration with highly efficient, reliable and cost-effective systems installed at major manufacturing operations across North America. Applications include welding, cutting and metalworking; dust collection and lubricant mist collection; and general ventilation. RoboVent is headquartered in Sterling Heights, Mich., with sales and service centers located throughout the United States and the world. At its core, RoboVent is an environmental company solving problems for manufacturing processes. Their expertise and resources in collecting, filtering and recycling contaminated air can be applied to almost any process in the manufacturing environment. For more information, visit [www.robovent.com](http://www.robovent.com).