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Dear Valued Customer,

Recently, 3M has received questions regarding the availability of our 3M™ Breathe Easy™ Powered Air Purifying Respirators used for First Receiver patient decontamination programs (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear hazards) and whether they have been discontinued.

Please be advised that the NIOSH approved systems along with the replacement parts are commercially available through a number of 3M distributors. These product lines have not been discontinued. Please note that some distributors in 2016 temporarily stopped featuring the Breathe Easy PAPR systems on their website as 3M worked through a supply disruption of the 3M™ Hood BE-10BR Butyl Rubber (required for CBRN compliance). As of October 2016, this supply disruption is no longer an issue.

The systems in question include:

[RBE-L10 3M™ Hood Powered Air Purifying Respirator \(PAPR\) System RBE-L10, with Lithium Ion Battery](#)

[RBE-NM10 3M™ Hood Powered Air Purifying Respirator \(PAPR\) System RBE-NM10, with NiMH Battery](#)

[FR-57N10 M™ Breathe Easy™ Butyl Rubber Hood Powered Air Purifying Respirator \(PAPR\) System FR-57N10, with NiMH Battery and 3M™ Cartridge FR-57](#)

[FR-57L10 3M™ Breathe Easy™ Butyl Rubber Hood Powered Air Purifying Respirator \(PAPR\) System FR-57L10, with Lithium Battery and 3M™ Cartridge FR-57](#)

We hope that this letter is able to resolve any confusion regarding the availability and ongoing support of the Breathe Easy™ CBRN product line. Please feel free to contact 3M if further information is needed.

Thank you for your business.

Sincerely



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