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Mr. Robert Brunell Quality Control Manager Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc. 16 Commerce Boulevard Middleboro, Massachusetts 02346

Dear Mr. Brunell:

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has reviewed your request dated April 1, 2010. This request was for an extension of approval to TC-84A-0383 to add a private label version of the model 1840 R95 filtering facepiece air purifying respirator with exhalation valve for Libus of Buenos Aires, Argentina, under the same model number 1840, reference assembly matrix prbb51B24AM24.xls.

This request is granted. Approvals are granted only for documentation written in the English language. It is the manufacturer's responsibility to correctly translate materials desired in languages other than English.

The CD enclosed with this letter contains the final respirator approval label. The abbreviated label has been accepted as submitted. The cautions and limitations which apply to this approval are on the approval label. Only those assemblies affected by this request, or where new approval numbers are assigned, apply to this approval action. Production approval labels cannot include information on unapproved configurations.

The approved assembly consists of the parts as listed on the approval label and the assembly matrix. Parts are to be marked with the numbers indicated on the approval label in a legible and permanent manner (marking cannot be removed without evidence of its previous presence).

The manufacturer is responsible for properly packaging, labeling, and controlling the respirators produced under this private label approval. At a minimum, the items that must be controlled are the approved user instructions, all approval labeling, all approved packaging, use claims, marketing materials, and the respirator design and construction details. Any change to these NIOSH-approved respirators or approval documentation without prior notification and approval is a violation of this approval and renders this certification as invalid.

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No changes may be made to any respirator and accompanying documentation without prior written approval of NIOSH. Requests for changes must be submitted to NIOSH and a modification of this approval must be granted before changes are made.

Sincerely yours,

Heinz W. Ahlers

Chief, Technology Evaluation Branch

National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory

Enclosures



National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory Technology Evaluation Branch Certification, Evaluation and Testing Section P.O. Box 18070 Pittsburgh, PA 15236

#### TEST REPORT

Task Number: TN-16942

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Prepared by: Jeremy J. Brannen

Tests Conducted by: Jeremy J. Brannen

Date: April 24, 2010

Respirator Tested: 1840 R95

#### **Background Information**

In an application dated April 1, 2010 Louis M. Gerson Company requested an extension of approval to TC-84A-0383 to add a private label version of the model 1840 R95 filtering facepiece air purifying respirator with exhalation valve for Libus of Buenos Aires, Argentina, under the same model number 1840, reference assembly matrix prbb51B24AM24.xls.

#### **Tests Assigned**

Test Description	STP Number	Reference	
A. Exhalation Resistance Test	RCT-APR-STP-0003	84.180	
B. Exhalation Valve Leakage Test	TEB-APR-STP-0004	84.182	
C. Inhalation Resistance Test	TEB-APR-STP-0007	84.180	
D. DOP R95 Test	TEB-APR-STP-0051	84.181	

#### **Overall Results**

The items tested passed laboratory testing.

#### **Individual Test Results**

See attached test data sheets.

# National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Respirator Branch

#### **Test Data Sheet**



Task Number: TN-16942 Reference No.: CFR 84.180

Test: Exhalation Resistance Test STP No.: 3

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Filter Type: Filter Only

Item Tested: 1840

	Maximum Allowable Resistance (MM of H2O)	Actual Resistance (MM of H2O)	
Sample	Exhalation	Exhalation	Result
1	25	7.9	PASS
2	25	7.9	PASS
3	25	7.9	PASS

Overall Result: PASS

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### National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Respirator Branch Test Data Sheet



Task Number: TN-16942

Reference No.: CFR 84.182 STP No.: 4

Test:

Exhalation Valve Leakage Test

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested:

1840 Exhalation Valve

LEAKAGE							
Sample	Trial #1 (mL/min.)	Trial #2 (mL/min.)	Trial #3 (mL/min.)	Average (mL/min.)	Maximum Allowable (mL/min.)	Result	
Valve 1	2.5	2.4	2.35	2.42	30	PASS	
Valve 2	8.3	7.8	7.73	7.94	30	PASS	
Valve 3	2.6	2.55	2.5	2.55	30	PASS	

Overall Result: PASS

Date: 4/24/2010

Signature:

Task Number: TN-16942

Reference No.: CFR 84.182

STP No.: 4

Test:

Exhalation Valve Leakage Test

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested:

1840 Exhalation Valve

Comments:

Was all equipment verified to be in calibration throughout all testing?

Yes

No

Signature:

Date: 4/24/2010

## National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

### **Respirator Branch**

#### **Test Data Sheet**



Task Number: TN-16942

Reference No.: CFR 84.180

Test:

Inhalation Resistance Test

STP No.: 7

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested: 1840

Filter Type: Filter Only

	Maximum Allowable Resistance (MM of H2O)	Actual Resistance (MM of H2O)		
Sample	Inhalation	Inhalation	Result	
1	35	17.5	PASS	
2	35	17.5	PASS	
3	35	17.5	PASS	

Overall Result: PASS

Signature:

Date: 4/24/2010

Task Number: TN-16942

Reference No.: CFR 84.180

**STP No.:** 7

Inhalation Resistance Test

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested:

1840

Comments:

Was all equipment verified to be in calibration throughout all testing?

Yes ○ No

Signature:

**Engineering Technician** 

Date: 4/24/2010

# National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Respirator Branch

**Test Data Sheet** 

Reference No.: CFR 84.181

Test: Dioctyl Phthalate (DOP) - R95 STP No.: 56

Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested: 1840

Task Number: TN-16942

Filter	Flow Rate	Initial Filter Resistance	Maximum Allowable Percent Leakage	Initial Percent Leakage	Maximum Percent Leakage	Result
1	85	18.9	5.00	0.001	0.025	PASS
2	85	19.7	5.00	0.040	0.057	PASS
3	85	20.8	5.00	0.005	0.026	PASS
4	85	20.7	5.00	0.151	0.187	PASS
5	85	21.8	5.00	0.015	0.024	PASS
6	85	19.3	5.00	0.004	0.019	PASS
7	85	20.7	5.00	0.007	0.020	PASS
8	85	19.6	5.00	0.004	0.010	PASS
9	85	21.2	5.00	0.033	0.042	PASS
10	85	21.0	5.00	0.056	0.088	PASS
11	85	21.3	5.00	0.010	0.024	PASS
12	85	19.2	5.00	0.005	0.017	PASS
13	85	21.1	5.00	0.020	0.042	PASS
14	85	21.4	5.00	0.007	0.017	PASS
15	85	22.4	5.00	0.401	0.456	PASS
16	85	18.0	5.00	0.023	0.072	PASS
17	85	19.7	5.00	0.009	0.062	PASS
18	85	21.2	5.00	0.013	0.021	PASS
19	85	23.0	5.00	0.010	0.019	PASS
20	85	218.8	5.00	0.097	0.143	PASS

Overall Result: PASS

Signature:

Date: 4/24/2010

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Dioctyl Phthalate (DOP) - R95

**STP No.:** 56

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Manufacturer: Louis M. Gerson Company, Inc.

Item Tested:

1840

Comments:

Was all equipment verified to be in calibration throughout all testing?

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Date: 4/24/2010

Yes

No

Signature:

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