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**MEMORANDUM FOR EXTENDING THE COMMENT PERIOD FOR TREE CARE OPERATIONS DOCKET**

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SUBJECT: Extend the Public Comments Period

The purpose of this memorandum is for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to extend the comment period for the Tree Care Operations docket (Docket No. OSHA-2008-0012) from May 22, 2020 to June 5, 2020 for its Small Business Advocacy Review (SBAR) Panel. In accordance with section 609(b)(1) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, OSHA has convened a Small Business Advocacy Review (SBAR) Panel to discuss a possible new OSHA standard covering Tree Care Operations.

Comments on this docket will be extended two more weeks from 05/22/2020 to 06/05/2020. Some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download through <http://www.regulations.gov>. All docket submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and, if permissible, copying at the OSHA docket office, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave, Room N3508, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number is 202-693-2350 (TTY 877-889-5627). You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. OSHA-2008-0012, by one of the following methods:

•Electronically: You may submit materials, including attachments, electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the online instructions for making submissions.

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