



AirBoss receives UL Certification to NFPA 1971, 2000 Edition, for Firefighter Boot that also provides 24 hour CB Protection to DEF STAN 93-95 and TOP-8-2-501

AirBoss-Defense, a division of AirBoss of America Corp., announces the release of its new CBRN protective rubber boot that provides over 24 hours protection against CB agents (tested to DEF STAN 93-55, Issue 2, Annex A and TOP 8-2-501 for HD – mustard).

This boot furthermore has received UL certification for compliance to NFPA-1971-2000.

This revolutionary firefighter boot is the first NFPA 1971-2000 compliant Firefighter footwear to offer 24 hour protection against CBRN threats. Other features of this innovative footwear include extreme lightweight, reflective surfaces and a new foot last design that assures optimum fit and comfort.

AirBoss-Defense produces the only Firefighter boots in the world to meet both fire requirements and offer true CBRN resistance, thereby providing the real protection First Responders need for today's threats.

AirBoss-Defense is a North American manufacturer of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and has recently signed two major contracts with the US Department of Defense Joint Services procurement initiative to provide the US Military Forces with CBRN protective hand wear and footwear. AirBoss has also been a long time private label manufacturer of rubber firefighter footwear for 3 of the top 4 brands in the US.

Earl Laurie, President of AirBoss-Defense has stated: "We are very pleased to receive UL Certification to NFPA 1971 - 2000 on this unique CBRN fire product independently tested to DEF STAN 93 -55 and TOP-8-2-501. We have integrated our world leading CBRN technologies into this new Fire boot, thereby bringing the same level of protection to Firefighters and First Responders as we provide to NATO Defense Forces".

AirBoss of America Corp develops, manufactures, and sells high quality, proprietary rubber-based products offering enhanced performance and productivity to transportation, military and industrial markets. With a capacity to supply over 200 million pounds of rubber annually to a diverse group of rubber manufacturers, AirBoss is also one of North America's largest custom rubber compounding companies. The Company's shares trade on the TSX under the symbol BOS. Visit www.airbossofamerica.com for more information.

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