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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2014-M-10-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: January 11, 2014

Date of Death: January 11, 2014

Operator: Payne & Dolan, Inc.

Mine: Waukesha Lime & Stone

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death of ██████████ should not be charged to the mining industry. ██████████ a 24 year old trespasser, communicated to his girlfriend his desire to commit suicide at the mine site. He drove his vehicle through a quarry fence. The truck came to rest on the edge of the highwall, teetering over the side. Local authorities and family members attempted to dissuade him but he jumped from the quarry ledge to his death.

The certificate of death indicated that the manner of death was suicide and that the death was due to multiple injuries secondary to jumping approximately 150 feet from the embankment at a quarry. The autopsy report confirmed that the death was due to multiple injuries. The toxicology screen was negative except for an alcohol level of 0.264.

Based on the findings of the death certificate, the autopsy report and the MSHA investigation, the committee members concluded that ██████████ was a trespasser on mine property and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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