

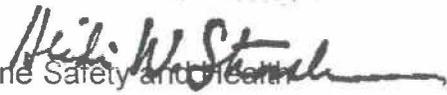


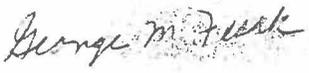
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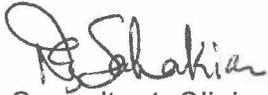
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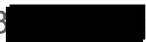
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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2012-M-03  Deceased: 
Date of Incident: February 15, 2012 Date of Death: February 15, 2012
Operator: Sherwin Alumina Mine: Sherwin Alumina, L.P.
Company, LLC.
Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED], a 33 year old instrument mechanic, performed a number of routine maintenance tasks and drove a scooter to the control room. He indicated that he was feeling poorly. He sat down and soon lost consciousness. Co-workers immediately started CPR. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural. Both the death certificate and the autopsy report indicated that the death was caused by a ruptured dissection of the thoracic aorta. Contributing causes included diabetes and obesity.

Based on the findings of the death certificate and the autopsy report, the committee members concluded that [REDACTED] died due to natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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