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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2012-M-33 [REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: December 21, 2012

Date of Death: December 21, 2012

Operator: Vulcan Construction
Materials, L.P.

Mine: Barin Quarry

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED], a 59 year old quality control technician, was collecting rock samples for the lab when he telephoned another technician for help. He was found lying on the catwalk next to the conveyor. Co-workers performed CPR and used an AED before emergency response personnel arrived. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural but the cause of death section was blacked out. Emergency room documents provided to MSHA listed cardiac arrest as the diagnosis. No evidence of a mining related injury or trauma was found by MSHA investigators.

Based on the findings of the medical documentation and the MSHA investigation 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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