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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No: 2011-M-14 [REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: January 14, 2011

Date of Death: January 14, 2011

Operator: Hanson Material Service

Mine: Thornton 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 25 year old trespasser, was a passenger in a vehicle traveling on a public road near the mine property. The car was traveling at a high rate of speed, failed to negotiate a curve. After striking a stone berm located on mine property, the vehicle became airborne. The vehicle crashed into a warehouse loading dock, where an electrical utility pole came to rest in a mine parking lot.

The deceased was not a mine employee or contractor and was not performing mine related work activities. [REDACTED] was pronounced dead at the scene. The death certificate and post-mortem examination found that the death was due to multiple injuries. The manner of death was determined to be accidental.

[REDACTED] was a trespasser on mine property and was not involved in mining related activity. The committee members concluded that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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