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SUBJECT:

Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2012-M-22

Deceased:

Date of Incident: October 30, 2012

Date of Death: October 30, 2012

Operator: Tilcon Connecticut, Inc.

Mine: New Britain Quarry

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. should not be charged to the mining industry. a 48 year old trespasser, drove his vehicle off a highwall approximately 126 feet above the quarry floor. He was pronounced dead at the scene.
had been treated several days before for a drug overdose. After his discharge from the hospital, he called his wife to tell her that he intended to drive his car over a cliff. The police report indicated that the incident was a suicide and that his death was caused by multiple blunt traumatic injuries sustained in the accident.
Based on the findings of the MSHA investigation and the local police department report, the committee members concluded that the death of should not be charged to the mining industry.

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