

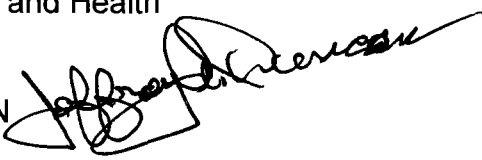
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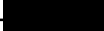
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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

**Case No.:** 2012-M-47-

**Deceased:** 

**Date of Incident:** November 12,  
2012

**Date of Death:** November 12, 2012

**Operator:** Nelson Quarries, Inc.

**Mine:** Plant 3

**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 65 year old truck mechanic, was assigned to work on the repair of a haul truck. He was found on the ground next to his mechanic truck by a co-worker. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The death certificate and autopsy report indicated that the death was due to severely intrusive coronary atherosclerosis. The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural. The toxicology screen was negative for alcohol and drugs. [REDACTED] had a history of a prior myocardial infarction, coronary artery disease, congestive heart failure, hypertension and exposure to smoke from a recent house fire.

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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