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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2013-M-57 [REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: October 28, 2013

Date of Death: October 28, 2013

Operator: Unimin Corp.

Mine: Unimin Corp.

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Chargeability Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED], a 57 year old customer truck driver, drove to the scale house to pick-up a load of sand. He failed to respond when he was radioed to pull his truck onto the weigh scale. He was discovered unresponsive and slumped over the steering wheel in his truck cab. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Both the death certificate and autopsy report indicated that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was sudden cardiac death due to ischemic heart disease. The toxicology screen was negative.

Based on the findings of the death certificate, the autopsy report, and the MSHA Investigation, 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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