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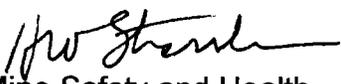


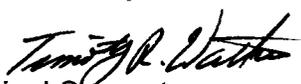
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MEMORANDUM FOR NEAL H. MERRIFIELD
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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-02-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: January 28, 2015

Date of Death: January 30, 2015

Operator: Vulcan Construction
Materials, L.P.

Mine: Gurley Quarry

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Chargeability Review Committee has determined that the death of ██████████ should not be charged to the mining industry. ██████████ a 52-year old repairman, fell to the ground while walking to his work station at the beginning of his shift. At that time, coworkers noted that he had slurred speech. When paramedics arrived they observed that ██████████ could not move his left side and was unable to speak. He was placed on life support and died two days later.

The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was stroke syndrome with a pneumothorax as a significant condition. An autopsy was not performed.

Based on these findings, committee members concluded that ██████████ died due to natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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