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SUBJECT:

Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-12-

Deceased:

Date of Incident: May 27, 2015

Date of Death: May 27, 2015

**Operator:** Tilcon New York, Inc.

Mine: Clinton Point Quarry and Mill

**Decision:** Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Chargeability Review Committee has determined that the death of the second should not be charged to the mining industry.
Mr, a 61-year old truck driver, drove his haul truck off the road and onto a berm on the side of the haul road. Coworkers found him unresponsive and initiated CPR. He was subsequently transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.
The death certificate and autopsy report both indicate that the manner of death was natural, and that the cause of death was a myocardial infarction due to atherosclerotic and hypertensive cardiovascular disease with pulmonary emphysema. Obesity was listed as a contributing factor. MSHA's investigation did not identify any environmental or physical conditions that could have caused Mr.
Based on these findings, the Committee concludes that Mr death was due to natural causes and should not be charged to the mining industry.

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