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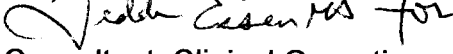
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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-13-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: June 08, 2015

Date of Death: June 08, 2015

Operator: Asbury Graphite Mills, Inc. **Mine:** Asbury Plant

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.

Mr. ██████████, a 44-year old laborer, began to feel ill while assisting a co-worker with packing material in the mill. Mr. ██████████ collapsed to the floor while waiting for a family member to pick him up. Co-workers administered CPR until EMS personnel arrived. Mr. ██████████ was subsequently transported to a local hospital where he later expired.

The death certificate indicates that the manner of death was natural and the cause of death was complications of hypertensive cardiovascular disease. No autopsy was performed. MSHA's investigation did not identify any environmental or physical conditions that could have caused Mr. ██████████' death.

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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