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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-18-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: June 02, 2015

Date of Death: June 10, 2015

Operator: Lattimore Materials Corp.

Mine: Ambrose Sand Plant

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.

Mr. [REDACTED], a 47-year old customer truck driver, collapsed near his haul truck after getting his weigh ticket from the scale house. CPR was initiated at the mining site. He was subsequently transported to a local hospital, where he was removed from life support eight days later.

The certificate of death lists the manner of death as natural with the immediate cause identified as anoxic encephalopathy with sudden cardiac death and myocardial infarction. MSHA's investigation failed to identify any environmental or physical conditions that could have caused his death.

Based on these findings, the Committee concludes that Mr. [REDACTED]'s death was due to natural causes and should not be charged to the mining industry.

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