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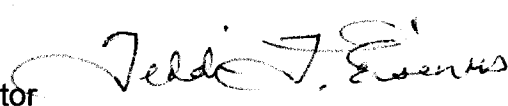
MEMORANDUM FOR NEAL H. MERRIFIELD
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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-37-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: August 05, 2015

Date of Death: August 05, 2015

Operator: Richmond Material
Company

Mine: Richmond Material Co.
Company

Autopsy Conducted: Released
September 2, 2015.

Death Certificate Released: Not
Provided

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 48-year old scale operator, slumped over while he was working with a trainee. CPR was begun and he was transported to a local hospital. He was declared dead soon after.

MSHA's investigation was conducted between August 05, 2015 and August 06, 2015. No physical or environmental factors that could have contributed to the death were identified. The Medical Examiner's report found that the manner of death was natural, and that the cause of death was atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease.

Based on these findings, the committee members concluded that Mr. [REDACTED]'s death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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