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MEMORANDUM FOR Neal H. Merrifield
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FROM:

JEFFREY A. DUNCAN 
Committee Chair
Director for Educational Policy and Development

SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Decision

Case No.: 2016-M-04-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: March 1, 2016

Date of Death: March 1, 2016



Operator: Aggregate Industries

Mine: Charles City Plant

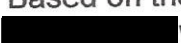
Autopsy Conducted: No

Death Certificate Released: March 31, 2016

Decision: Not chargeable

I have reviewed the investigative report in the death of  and determined it should not be charged to the mining industry. On the day of the incident , a 67 year old plant operator, was assigned to retrieve conveyor belt idlers with a coworker. Upon arrival at the storage area, the deceased walked to the rear of the vehicle and fell backwards to the ground. He was unresponsive. CPR was begun by mine employees and continued by EMS. EMS personnel contacted the Chief Medical Examiner, who pronounced the victim dead.

The death certificate lists the immediate cause of death as acute myocardial infarction due to coronary artery disease. No autopsy was performed. MSHA's investigation did not identify any environmental or physical factors that could have contributed to the death.

Based on the death certificate and MSHA's investigation, I have determined that the death of  was not due to mine related work activities and should not be charged to the mining industry.

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