



Section I--Violation Data

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| 1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011 | 2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800 | 3. Citation/ Order Number 8250035 |
| 4. Served To Berman Cornett (Safety Director) | | 5. Operator Performance Coal Company, et al. |
| 6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH | | 7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor) |
| 8. Condition or Practice | | 8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/> |

The operator has failed to conduct an adequate examination and to maintain the Headgate 21 high voltage longwall face lighting, shield electrics, and communication circuits. Extensive and obvious deficiencies were observed during the inspection of these circuits following the explosion that occurred on April 5th, 2010. These deficiencies are listed in Order No. 8250024. An examination of the records required to be kept by the mine operator revealed the following: 1) there is no record indicating the face lighting was examined prior to 3/15/10, 2) the only recorded exam of the control system is 4/01/10, 3) the shield control system was not examined on 4/01/10, 3/18/10, and 2/25/10. The operator has engaged in aggravated conduct constituting more than ordinary negligence. This is an unwarrantable failure to comply with a mandatory standard.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a) ☒

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| 9. Violation | A. Health <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> | B. Section of Act | C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.821(a) |
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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| 10. Gravity: | | | |
| A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input type="checkbox"/> Reasonably Likely <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highly Likely <input type="checkbox"/> Occurred <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays <input type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| C. Significant and Substantial: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | | D. Number of Persons Affected: 006 |

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| 11. Negligence (check one) | A. None <input type="checkbox"/> | B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> | C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> | D. High <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 12. Type of Action 104(d)(2) | 13. Type of Issuance (check one) | Citation <input type="checkbox"/> | Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> | Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/> | E. Citation/ Order Number 8082692 | F. Dated Mo Da Yr 03/17/2009 |
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15. Area or Equipment The face lighting, shield electronics, and communication circuit on the HG 21 Longwall.

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| 16. Termination Due | A. Date Mo Da Yr | B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) |
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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| 18. Terminated | A. Date Mo Da Yr | B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) |
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Section IV--Automated System Data

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| 19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E16 | 20. Event Number 4440348 | 21. Primary or Mill |
| 22. Signature Keith McElroy | | 23. AR Number 24153 |

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Mine Citation/Order
Continuation

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

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| 1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011 | 3. Citation/ Order Number 8250035 |
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Section II--Justification for Action

Continuation of 8. Condition or Practice

This citation is being issued to the following entities as a unitary operator: Performance Coal Company, Massey Coal Services, Inc., A.T. Massey Coal Company, Inc., and Massey Energy Company.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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| 8. Extended To | A. Date Mo Da Yr | B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) | <input type="checkbox"/> C. Vacated | <input type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated | <input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified |
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Section IV--Inspection Data

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| 9. Type of Inspection E16 | 10. Event Number 4440348 | | |
| 11. Signature Keith McElroy | AR Number 24153 | 12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011 | 13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800 |