AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE BETWEEN THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND THE NATIONAL STONE, SAND AND GRAVEL ASSOCIATION

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and The National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association (NSSGA) recognize the value of renewing an Alliance to foster safer and more healthful working conditions for miners working at aggregate operations in the United States.

MSHA and NSSGA hereby renew their Alliance to provide aggregate industry personnel, including contractors, with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will protect the health and safety of those miners working at aggregate operations. MSHA and NSSGA will work together to:

- Provide technical assistance to the aggregate industry, including state aggregate associations, for complying with the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), as amended, and its standards in Title 30 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- Provide information, education and training, and technical assistance to prevent injuries and illnesses.
- Analyze injury, illness, and citation data to develop training and education tools to improve injury and illness incidence rates.
- Provide statistical information regarding injuries and illnesses that occur to aggregate workers.
- Develop and share best practices and effective approaches to improve mine safety and health.
- Develop and disseminate information on mine safety and health at conferences, events, or through print and electronic media, including links from MSHA's and NSSGA's web sites.
- Speak, exhibit, or participate at workshops, conferences, and other stakeholder meetings to proactively address mine safety and health issues.

A team made up of representatives of both organizations will meet to refine an existing plan of action, address working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least two times a year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance.

NSSGA is authorized, with the approval of MSHA, to use the MSHA Alliance logo on documents, web pages, or other products relating to or created under the Alliance for as long as the Alliance remains in effect and according to MSHA's "Guidance on the Use of the Alliance Logo" at http://www.msha.gov/alliances/Formed/logo-guidance.pdf. The logo must not be used for fundraising or lobbying efforts or to imply that MSHA endorses a particular entity or its actions or products. Before the Alliance logo may be used, MSHA and NSSGA must approve all materials and products developed under this Alliance. When possible, all documents or other products with the logo must contain the following statement:

> This product was developed as part of the MSHA Alliance Program. It does not necessarily reflect the official views of MSHA. Use of the Alliance logo is reserved for MSHA and its active Alliance partners. The MSHA Alliance Program is to promote miner safety and health through voluntary partnerships, which provide training and education, outreach, technical assistance, and a national dialogue on mine safety and health. For more information, contact MSHA at (202) 693-9414 or http://www.msha.gov/alliances/alliances.htm.

MSHA and NSSGA will provide all services, products, and resources relating to or created under this Alliance without reimbursement from the other party.

This Alliance creates no private right of action against the Federal Government or NSSGA. This Alliance creates no rights in any third party.

This Alliance is subject to the availability of funds. This agreement will not be construed as obligating funds. Nothing in this agreement obligates MSHA to expend appropriations or enter into any contract or other obligations.

Nothing in this Alliance shall limit, supersede, or otherwise affect MSHA's normal operations or decisions in carrying out its statutory or regulatory duties. This Alliance does not limit or restrict the parties from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities. This Alliance also does not limit or restrict the parties from taking any other action necessary.

This agreement will remain in effect until December 31, 2018. Either signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the concurrence of both signatories.

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