

Preliminary Report of Accident



1. Accident Type: Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification Powered Haulage		3. Date/Time of Accident 05/16/2016 04:15 AM		4. Date/Time of Death 05/16/2016 04:15 AM		5. Fatal Case No 6			
6. Mine Information :											
a) Mining Company Name ACI Tygart Valley			b) Mine Name Leer Mine			c) Parent of Mining Company Arch Coal Inc					
7. Mine Location :		a) City Thornton		b) County Taylor		c) State WV		8. Mine ID Number: 46-09192		9. Union: NO	
10. Primary Mineral Mined: BITUMINOUS			11. Number of Mine Employees:		a) Total 456	b) Underground 419	c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant 37	e) Other	
12. Contractor Name:						13. Union		14. Contractor ID Number:			
15. Contractor Address:		a) City		b) County		c) State		d) Zip Code			
16. Number of Contractor Employees:		a) Total		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant		e) Other	
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident:						18. Number of Persons Unaccounted For:					
a) Mine Employees: 71			b) Contractor Employees:			a) Mine Employees: 0		b) Contractor Employees:			
19) Location of Accident									20. Mining Height:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 01-Underground	<input type="checkbox"/> 03-Open Pit		<input type="checkbox"/> 07-Advance Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 30-Mill/Prep Plant		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)		Feet	Inches	
<input type="checkbox"/> 02-Surface at Underground	<input type="checkbox"/> 06-Dredge Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 08-Retreat Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 99-Office Facility				7	6	
21. Nonfatal Injuries:			22. Fatal Injuries: 1								
23. Victim Information :											
a) Name Eric Meddings					b) Age 50						
c) Regular Job Title: Motorman			d) Activity at Time of Accident: Motorman				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mine Employee				
24. Experience :	Years		Weeks		Days		Years		Weeks		Days
a) Total:	14	20	0	b) at the mine:	3	32	0	c) at activity (23d)	3	12	0
25. Autopsy Performed:	If Yes, Location YES Charleston, West Virginia									26. Mine Telephone No.: (304) 265-9700	

27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status of rescue and recovery operations):

The lead motorman (victim) was found unconscious in the operator's deck of his locomotive. The motormen were transporting empty supply cars to the slope bottom. While switching the cars through a set of airlock doors, the tail motorman heard the lead motor go through a closed airlock door. When he got to the lead motor he found the victim unresponsive and slumped over in the operator's seat. The tail motorman immediately phoned for help and started CPR within 5 minutes of finding the victim. The victim was transported to the surface on the mine's slope car where the Taylor County EMS was waiting on the surface. EMS transported the victim to the Grafton Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.

28. Equipment Manufacturer: Brookville				29. Model: 25T174D					
30. District: C0300 Morgantown		32. Field Office: Bridgeport WV				33. Event Number: 6275019			
34. Accident Investigator: John M. Hall				35. MSHA Person Notified: Michael P. Stark		Date 05/16/2016		Time 05:55 AM	
36. Type of Report: Amended		37. Name of Preparer and Date Prepared: AEW for Carlos Mosley, DM				Date 05/16/2016			
38. Reason For Amendment: amendment No. 2 - edited description and added fatal case number									