



Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800	3. Citation/ Order Number 4900551
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's emergency response plan for the underground mine, approved on January 25, 2010, was not being complied with when a fatal accident occurred on April 5, 2010. The mine operator was not adequately tracking miners that were working in the underground mine. This was especially evident during the evening and night hours of April 5, 2010 when it was not known how many miners were underground or where they were likely located.

Employees were not being manually tracked when tag readers were in-operative, in locations where the tracking system was not functional, or when miners went to remote locations in the mine. The only tracking that was performed was the providing of track clearance to employees traveling in the mine. This was not performed on a consistent basis. Many times

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act 316(b)	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input type="checkbox"/>	Reasonably Likely <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 081	
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"/>						
12. Type of Action 104(a)			13. Type of Issuance (check one)			
			Citation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Order <input type="checkbox"/>	Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>
			Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			
14. Initial Action					E. Citation/ Order Number	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>
F. Dated Mo Da Yr						
15. Area or Equipment						

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 01/05/2012	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate		
18. Terminated		
A. Date Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	

Section IV--Automated System Data

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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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

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 4900551
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Section II--Justification for Action

Continuation of 8. Condition or Practice

mantrips would travel throughout the mine without track clearance. All employees on the mantrips were not tracked, only the driver. Once employees got off the mantrips, proper manual tracking was not being performed. "The condition has been designated as "non significant and substantial" because the conduct violated a provision of the mine act other than a mandatory safety or health standard."

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.

See Continuation Form

Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

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