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U. S. Department of Labor  
Mine Safety and Health Administration



Mine Activity Data

1. Action: a. New Entry  b. Update  2. Activity Code: E01 3. Event Number: 4116771

4. Date Event Started: 10/2/2007 5. Date Event Finished: 12/21/2007 6. Mine ID: 46-08436

7a. Organization Code (Mine Assignment) 20401 b. Work Group Identifier 02 9. Company Name PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY

8a. Organization Code (AR Assignment) 20401 b. Work Group Identifier 02 10. Mine Name UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH

11. Report Type (check one) a. First  b. Interim  c. Last  d. Not Applicable  12. Area of Inspections a. Active Sections 4 b. Idle Sections 0

c. Outby Areas  d. Shafts/Slopes  e. Surface Areas (UG)  f. Surface Workings  g. Company Records  h. ATF  i. Impoundments  j. Refuse Piles

k. Major Construction  (1) Shaft/Slope Sinking (2) Impoundment Construction (3) Buildings (4) Dragline/Shovel: (5) Other l. Miscellaneous

m. MMU/Pit Number (1) 029 (2) 030 (3) 040 (4) 041

13. Number of Samples Collected a. Air Samples 15 b. Rock Dust Spot 0 c. Rock Dust Survey 2 d. Respirable Dust 4 e. Noise 0 f. Other 0

14. Impoundments/Refuse Piles:

a. Number b. FHC c. Configuration

15. Prime Independent Contractor Codes (Major Construction)

16. Inspection Results

	Citations		Orders		Safeguards		Other	
	Coal Opr	Ind Con	Coal Opr	Ind Con	Coal Opr	Ind Con	Coal Opr	Ind Con
a. This Inspection								
(1) New Issuances	61	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
(2) Terminations/Vacations	61/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
(3) Modifications/Extensions	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
(4) Left Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
b. Previously Issued								
(1) Modifications/Extensions	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
(2) Terminations/Vacations	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0

18. Signature and Card Number of Authorized Representative/ Right of Entry Person(s) Responsible for Activity

Card Number

a. [Redacted] 23583

b. [Redacted] 24329

c. [Redacted] 24320

d. [Redacted] 24024

17. Remarks:

Shift	Sun			Mon			Tue			Wed			Thur			Fri			Sat		
	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3
Week 1 9/30/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 2 10/7/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 3 10/14/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 4 10/21/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 5 10/28/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 6 11/4/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 7 11/11/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 8 11/25/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 9 12/2/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 10 12/9/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Week 11 12/16/2007	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0920	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271365
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 was not following the approved ventilation plan on the 030 section. Only 4565 CFM of air could be measured with the scrubber not running at the end of the line curtain in the number four entry. The plan requires 5400 CFM of air at the end of the line curtain with the scrubber not running.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.370(a)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:			
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 002	
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>	
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The continuous miner was removed and will not continue mining in the number 4 entry until the crosscut between the number 3 and 4 entries cuts through.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0930
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

MSHA Form 7000- (revised) In accordance with the provisions of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, the Small Business Administration has established a National Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Ombudsman and 10 Regional Fairness Boards to receive comments from small businesses about federal agency enforcement actions. The Ombudsman annually evaluates enforcement activities and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on the enforcement actions of MSHA, you may call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247), or write the Ombudsman at Small Business Administration, Office of the National Ombudsman, 409 3rd Street, SW MC 2120, Washington, DC 20416. Please note, however, that your right to file a comment with the Ombudsman is in addition to any other rights you may have, including the right to contest citations and proposed penalties and obtain a hearing before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission.

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1010	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271366
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

There was not a fire extinguisher provided for hydraulic oil (90 gallons) being stored in the primary escapeway two breaks outby the section dumping point at break 54.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1100-2(f)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	005			
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
D. High <input 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"/>	
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 10/03/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271366 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The 90 gallons of hydraulic oil (located at break 54) was removed was removed from the primary escapeway.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signat [Redacted]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1110



Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271366 - 02
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

Under Section II (Justification for Action) the words "was removed" was duplicated and needs removed. The justification for action should read: The 90 gallons of hydraulic oil (located at break 54) was removed from the primary escapeway.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signatu [REDACTED]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1315

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1020	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271367
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice The emergency response plan was not being followed on the 030 section. The phone in the primary escapeway on the section was not being maintained in an operative condition.		
8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>		

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1502
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:			
A. Injury or illness (has) (Is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 005	
11. Negligence (check one)			
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action		E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/03/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271367 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The phone was repaired.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/04/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/03/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271367 - 02
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

Change	From	To
9. B. Section of Act		316(b)

Reason

9. C. Part/Section 75.1502

Reason

change section of law

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. S [REDACTED]	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1447

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0900	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271368
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 high voltage lines entering the mine at the main track portal were not guarded in several places where they contacted various low voltage cables.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.807
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 005		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/18/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a: Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271368 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The high voltage lines are now guarded.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Sign 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/22/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0910

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0905	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271369
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 various types of low voltage cables located in the main track entry were allowed to contact combustible material ( cribs, timbers, and coal ribs) at several locations along the track form the portal to the airlock doors on the no. 1 section.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.516
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 005		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/18/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. S		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/15/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271369 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The cables have been hung on insulators.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signa	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/22/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0910

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271370
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		

8a. Written Notice (103g)

The high voltage cable located at the end of the track on the 029 and 030 sections was not guarded where men normally get on and off the man trips. The highest point measured was approximately 6 ft. above the mine floor.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.807
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		001		
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/16/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/15/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271370 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

All areas of high voltage cable have now been guarded.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	11. Signat 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/16/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0920
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1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/16/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0950	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271371
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Loose coal, oil and oil soaked coal had been allowed to accumulate in the pump motor compartment and around the pump motor of the Joy model 10 SC shuttle car, ser. No. ET17503, being operated on the 029 section.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/16/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1200
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/16/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271371 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The shuttle car has been cleaned.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/17/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000
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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/17/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0920	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271372
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 Fairchild model 35C scoop, ser. No. T339-224, being operatd on the 030 section was not being maintained in a permissible condition. The battery lids were not secured to the batteries.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.503
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/17/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The machine was restored to a permissible condition.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/17/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0930
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/17/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271373
4. Served To Gary Calvert, Fore.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Due to a large body of water between stopping no. 37 and no. 36 int the 029 return airway the return could not be safely traveled in its entitrety. The water was approximately 20 ft. wide by 20 ft. long and up to 20 inches deep.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		001		
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/22/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/17/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271373 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The water was removed from the mine.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signat	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/22/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0930

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/22/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271374
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Due to 2 bodies of water located in the 030 section return between stoppings 36 and 38 the return could not be safely traveled in its entirety. The water was approximately 130 ft. long by 20 ft. wide and 14 inches deep.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/23/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/22/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271374 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The water was removed.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. S [REDACTED]	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/29/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1105

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/24/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0950	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271375
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Due to a large body water, located Survey Station Spad Number 21797, in the 040 section return, the return could not be safely traveled in its entirety. The area of water was approximately 50 feet long and 20 feet wide and up to 20 inches deep.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001	
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/25/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/24/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271375 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The water has been removed.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/30/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1010

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/29/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1240	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271376
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

A thin layer of coal float dust had been allowed to accumulate over the entire cover of the 12470 volt power center located at the no. 4 belt drive near the no. 2 section.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No <input type="checkbox"/>	001			
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>	
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 10/29/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/29/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271376 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The power center has been cleaned.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/30/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0945

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/29/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1245	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271377
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Two low voltage cables provided at the High Voltage Center at the number 4 belt drive near the number two section were not labeled for identification.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.904
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/29/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signal	23. AR Number 23583	

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/29/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271377 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The cables are now properly labeled.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	11. Sign 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/30/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0940
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1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0920	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271378
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Three of the permanent stoppings built between the 041 section intake and the 041 section return at various places from the no. 6 belt drive to the no. 4 belt drive were not being properly maintained. The wood on the return side had not been completely plastered.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.333(b)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		001		
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1200
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 10/30/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271378 - 01
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The stoppings were repaired

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	
11. AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/31/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/01/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271379
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Due to a body of water in the 041 section intake escapeway at sur. Sta. no. 21811 on the 041 section the escapeway was not maintained in a condition to assure safe passage. The water was approximately 80 ft. long by 20 ft wide and 16 inches deep. Production was ceased on the section until the water could be removed.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.380(d)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 002		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/01/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The escapeway is now safe to travel.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/01/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1015
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signal		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/04/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 2215	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271380
4. Served To Dave Petry, Fore.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 high voltage cable in the track entry from the end of the track on the no. 2 section to approximately 1500 ft outby was not guarded against damage. The cable had fallen to the ground.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.807
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 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 type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0100
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The cable has been re-hung.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0100
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/04/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 2220	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271381
4. Served To Dave Petry, Fore.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 480 volt charger cable located at the end of the track on the no. 2 section was not supported on well insulated hangers and was contacting the rib in several places. The cable had fallen to the ground for a distance of approximately 300 ft.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.516
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:								
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>			
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:					
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		001				
11. Negligence (check one)								
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr		
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0100
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The cable was re-hung and moved away from the rib.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0100
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0141	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271382
4. Served To Dave Petry, Fore.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 ventilation plan was not being followed on the 040 section. The plan states that scrubber volumes would be made weekly and the results would be entered in the preshift book. The last results were entered on 10-5-2007.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.370(a)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800

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) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 11/05/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271382 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The results are now being entered in the book.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0715
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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0145	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271383
4. Served To Dave Petry, Fore.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 ventilation plan was not being followed on the 041 section. The plan states that scrubber volumes would be made weekly and the results entered in the preshift book. The last results were entered on 10-5-2007.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.370(a)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001		
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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>			B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/05/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 11/05/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271383 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The results are now being entered in the book.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0715

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0720	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271384
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 bathing and sanitary facilities provided at the mine were not being maintained in a sanitary condition. Only 2 of the 4 flush toilets would work, 1 of the 3 urinals would work, and coal dust was allowed to accumulate over the floor and on the benches.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1712-1
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or Illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 006

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The facilities were restored to a sanitary condition.

18. Terminated A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1155

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1100	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271385
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 compressed oxygen cylinder located along the track entry at crosscut no 47 on the no. 2 section was not secured. The restraining strap had broken and the cylinder was not secured.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1106-3(a)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1110

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The cylinder was secured.

18. Terminated A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/06/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1110

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0950	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271386
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Stopping nos. 46, 47, 49, 53, 56, 57, 58 and 59 between the 030 section return and the belt haulage course were not being properly maintained. The wood on the return side had not been completely plastered.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.333(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300

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) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 11/13/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271386 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

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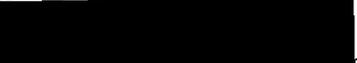
The stoppings were repaired.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0915

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271387
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Stopping no. 56 between the 030 section return and the belt haulage course was not being maintained to serve the purpose for which it was built. The stopping had been damaged from the haulage side, several blocks had been dislodged and the stopping contained a hole approximately 12 inches long by 3 inches wide.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.333(h)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue)	Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number	7271387 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY		
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436		(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The stopping was repaired.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection	E01	10. Event Number	4116771					
11. Signature		AR Number	23583	12. Date	Mo Da Yr	11/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	0915

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271388
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

A loose area of rib was found on the track side of return stopping at crosscut no. 45. The rib was approximately 6 ft. high by 12 ft. wide and up to 10 inches thick. The rib has separated from the main rib approximately 6 inches.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.202(a)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>			
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>					
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 11/13/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271388 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.			5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH			7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

Timbers have been set in the area.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature [Redacted]	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0845

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1120	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271389
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Due to the obvious hazards found in the 030 section return and the fact that the hazards had not been reported it is determined that adequate weekly examinations are not being conducted.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
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"/>			
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>					

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/13/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271389 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

An examination has been made and all hazards entered in the book.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Sign 	AR Number 23583	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0710



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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0915	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271390
4. Served To Bill Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Stopping nos. 129, 128, 125, 124, 119, 118, 5, and 3 are not being properly maintained between the belt haulage course and the return air course. The wood on the return side of the stopping has not been completely plastered. Stoppings at #3 and #5 are crushing out and leaking.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.333(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/14/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/15/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0900	3. Citation/ Order Number 7271391
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Supt.	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

After a reasonable period for abatement little or no effort has been made to correct the conditions.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.333(b)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or Illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected:

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(b) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number 7271390 F. Dated Mo Da Yr  
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15. Area or Equipment The north mains return from stopping 124 to 129

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The stoppings were repaired.

18. Terminated A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/15/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1040

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 23583

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1405	3. Citation/ Order Number 7272650
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Maint. Chief	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Protective covers are not provided to the valves of three (3) Compressed Gas Cylinders (Oxygen) located in the Compressed Gas Cylinder storage rack.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 77.208(e)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:	A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>	14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate Covers to the valves have now been provided.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1510
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signal	23. AR Number 24024	

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1415	3. Citation/ Order Number 7272651
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Maint. Chief	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 Hobart DC Welder, S/N 86WS08998, located in the Motor Shop is not being maintained in a safe operating condition. The two (2) electrical connections are not provided with protective covers. These two (2) connections are located within six (6) inches below the Welder Controls and can be easily contacted by persons.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 77.502
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>
	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>		
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001
11. Negligence (check one)			
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action		E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The electrical connections have now been provided with protective covers.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1435
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signatu		23. AR Number 24024

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1555	3. Citation/ Order Number 7272652
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Maint. Chief		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 <small>(Contractor)</small>
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

The Caterpillar Forklift, S/N 4EM04289, located in the Supply House is not provided with a fully charged fire extinguisher.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 77.1109(c)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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:	001	
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1630
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate A fire extinguisher has now been provided to the Forklift.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signatu		23. AR Number 24024

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600	3. Citation/ Order Number 7272653
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Maint. Chief	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

A record of a preoperational examination has not been made on the Caterpillar Forklift, S/N 4EM04289, located in the Supply House. The Forklift is not provided with a charged fire extinguisher when examined (Cited on citation #7272652). The last recorded date of examination was 10/3/2007.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 77.1606(a)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1630

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate A record has now been made of an examination.

18. Terminated A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1605

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature  23. AR Number 24024

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0845	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278708
4. Served To Mike Kibinger, Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY.	
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 roof, face and ribs of areas where persons work or travel shall be supported or otherwise controlled to protect persons from hazards related to falls of the roof, face or ribs and coal or rock bursts. The operator has a kittle bottom measuring 16 inches by 16 inches in the primary escapeway outby #39 break that's not supported or otherwise controlled to protect persons from hazards related to fall of the kittle bottom.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.202(a)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>		
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001			
11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/29/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0700
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signat	23. AR Number 24320	

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278708 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The kettle bottom was supported and controlled with a wooden timber.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. [Redacted]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/07/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0830

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1050	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278709
4. Served To Jason Whitehead, Vice President	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Mobile and stationary machinery and equipment shall be maintained in safe operating condition. The #3 North Main belt from #130 crosscut to #93 crosscut has 14 top belt rollers and 12 bottom belt rollers stuck or damaged. The operator took the belt out of service.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1725(a)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The operator took out or replaced the stuck or damaged belt rollers.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1445
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278710
4. Served To Jason Whitehead, Vice President		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

At least once during each shift, or more often if necessary for safety, a certified person designated by the operator shall conduct an on-shift examination of each section where anyone is assigned to work during the shift and any area where mechanized mining equipment is being installed or removed during the shift. The certified person shall check for hazardous conditions, test for methane and oxygen deficiency, and determine if the air is moving in its proper direction. The #3 North Main belt from #130 crosscut to #93 crosscut had 14 top rollers and 12 bottom rollers stuck or damaged that was not recorded in the on-shift book.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.362(a)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>				
C. Significant and Substantial: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			D. Number of Persons Affected: 001	
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	
F. Dated Mo Da Yr				
15. Area or Equipment				

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/01/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278710 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The area was pre-shifted and pre-shift examiners were re-instructed on examination of belt conveyors.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/07/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1021

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0905	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278711
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson, Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 person conducting the on-shift examination in belt haulage entries shall certify by initials, date, and time that the examination was made. The certified person shall certify by initials, date, and the time at enough locations to show that the entire area has been examined. The date board at the tailpiece for the #7 belt does not have an initial, date, and time for 12-04-2007.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.362(g)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment				

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0700
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007			3. Citation/ Order Number 7278711 - 01	
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson, Mine Foreman				5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY		
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH				7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)		

Section II--Justification for Action

The operator has initials, date and time at the #7 belt tailpiece. The operator also spoke with all the examiner about doing a proper examination.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01		10. Event Number 4116771			
11. Signature	AR Number	12. Date		13. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	
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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1005	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278712
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson, Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 allowed accumulation of float coal dust and loose coal to accumulate starting at the #4 belt tailpiece for 1 break outby.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	3. Citation/Order Number 7278712 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The accumulations at the tail piece including one break outby have been cleaned and the area was rock dusted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signat [REDACTED]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1120

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/05/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0840	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278713
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson, Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		

Each escapeway shall be provided with a continuous directional lifeline or equivalent device that shall be installed and maintained throughout the entire length of each escapeway. The alternate escapeway lifeline on the #2 LBB section (MMU 040 and 041) was approximately 411 feet from the section loading point.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.380(d)(7)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 010

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0940
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The alternate escapeway lifeline was hung to the section loading point.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/05/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0940
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signatu		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0700	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278714
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 failed to record in the book designated for the weekly examination of the seals, the examination for the week ending 11-24-2007.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(h)
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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: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>			B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>
D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>					
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0730
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate Another examination has been conducted and recorded.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0705
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0900	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278715
4. Served To Rick Hodge, Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 failed to conduct an examination at EP-52, EP-53, EP-54, and EP-58 for 20 days (11-09-2007 through 11-29-2007). At least every 7 days, a certified person shall examine unsealed worked-out areas where no pillars have been recovered by traveling to the area of deepest penetration; measuring methane and oxygen concentrations and air quantities and making tests to determine if the air is moving in the proper direction in the area. The locations of measurement points where tests and measurements will be performed shall be included in the mine ventilation plan and shall be adequate in number and location to assure ventilation and air quality in the area. Air quantity measurements shall also be made where the air enters and leaves the worked-out area.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(f)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 025		
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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1000
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate A weekly examination has been conducted since 11-29-2007.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/12/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0945
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24320

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## Section I--Violation Data

Date	Mo Da Yr	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	3. Citation/ Order Number
	12/14/2007	1550	7278716
4. Served To		5. Operator	
Mike Vaught, Safety Director		PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine		7. Mine ID	
UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		46-08436	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>	

The operator failed to provide an 5000-23 for the following people when ask by MSHA. [redacted] task training form, [redacted] task training and experience form, [redacted] experience form, [redacted] task training and experience form, [redacted] task training form, [redacted] experience form, [redacted] experience form, [redacted] task training and experience form, [redacted] task training form, [redacted] experience form. Upon a miner's completion of each MSHA approved training program, the operator shall record and certify on MSHA form 5000-23 that the miner has received the specified training. A copy of the training certificate shall be given to the miner at the completion of the training. The training certificates for each miner shall be available at the mine site for inspection by MSHA and for examination by the miners, the

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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
			48.9(a)

## 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: 010

11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>
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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"/>
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14. Initial Action	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated	Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			

## 15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date	Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)
	12/17/2007		1500

## 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)	E01	20. Event Number	4116771	21. Primary or Mill	
22. Signature				23. AR Number	24320

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Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 12/14/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/Order Number 7278716
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4. Served To Mike Vaught, Safety Director	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
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Section II--Justification for Action

Continuation of B. Condition or Practice

miner's representative, and State inspection agencies. When a miner leaves the operator's employ, the miner shall be entitled to a copy of his training certificates.

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 E01	10. Event Number 4116771
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11. Signature [Redacted]	AR Number 24320	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1550
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Section I-Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 12/14/2007	Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7278716 - 01
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson, Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY		
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)	

Section II-Justification for Action

The operator provided an 5000-23 form for the following people for task training [redacted] and [redacted]. The operator provided an 5000-23 form for the following people for experience form [redacted] and [redacted] is on worker's compensation he will receive his task form when he return to work.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV-Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature [redacted]	AR Number 24320	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/19/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1051

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1125	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279645
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 cover serving as a guard for the belt sequence roller, for the section feeder, operating on the No. 3 belt was not securely in place.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1722(c)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:			
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reasonably Likely <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>
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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"/>
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14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
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15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1200
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The cover was bolted securely in place.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1130
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1225	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279646
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Loose coal including float coal dust was permitted to accumulate along the 2 North Belt at the No. 1 Lower Big Branch Belthead. There was coal spillage measuring 81 feet and up to 10 inches in depth from the track cross under. Twenty-two (22) feet in by the dumping point the spillage was rubbing the bottom belt and one bottom roller.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 003		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>	
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 10/11/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue)	Mo 10	Da 10	Yr 2007	3. Citation/ Order Number	7279646 - 01
4. Served To Rick Nicolau, Chief.					5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY		
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH					7. Mine ID 46-08436		(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The belt has been cleaned.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection	E01	10. Event Number	4116771						
11. Sign		AR Number	23583	12. Date	Mo	Da	Yr	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	1130

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0930	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279676
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

There was a smoldering fire located 45 feet outby the No. 1 Lower Big Branch Dumping Point on the No. 2 North Mains Belt Conveyor. The bottom belt was rubbing into a belt stand, on the offside of the No. 2 North Mains Belt Conveyor, causing hot belt shavings to accumulate upon a small area of loose coal. The coal along with the belt shavings were smoking and smoldering with bright orange hot spots with an occasional flame. The smoldering area was 12 square feet. Citation No. 7279677 is being issued in conjunction with this order.

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	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 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 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 type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected:			
11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>	
12. Type of Action	107(a)	13. Type of Issuance (check one)		Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	Order <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>
14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment	The 2 North Mains Belt Conveyor.					

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code)	E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature			23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279676 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The fire was extinguished.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature 	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0930	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279677
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 No. 2 North Mains Belt was not being maintained in safe operating condition. The bottom belt was rubbing two bottom belt conveyor stands and several bottom return roller hangers beginning 45 feet outby the No. 1 Lower Big Branch Dumping Point. There was smoldering coal and belt shavings, with bright orange hot spots and occasional flames, accumulated at the first belt stand outby the dumping point. This condition was a factor that contributed to the issuance of Imminent Danger Order No. 7279676 dated 11/28/2007. Therefore, no abatement time was set.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1725(a)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

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: 005
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11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>
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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"/>
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14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
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15. Area or Equipment

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

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signatu	23. AR Number 24329	

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007			3. Citation/ Order Number 7279677 - 01	
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant				5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY		
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH				7. Mine ID 46-08436		(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The belt was trained so that it would not rub the belt stands and hangers.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01		10. Event Number 4116771			
11. Signatu	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030		

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1250	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279678
4. Served To Jamie Ferguson; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

There were no initials, dates and times certifying that a weekly examination had been conducted at seal no. 37, 36, 35 and 34, including the main return from seal no. 33 to seal no. 32 within the last seven days. The last initials, dates and times observed were on 11/20/2007.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(g)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001			
11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment						

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1500
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The area was examined and certified by initials, dates and times.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/28/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1400
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0935	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279679
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 permitted loose coal to accumulate in various places on both sides of the No. 2 LBB Belt Conveyor, as well as, float coal dust under the bottom return rollers for a distance of 3600 feet. Also, loose coal including float coal dust was permitted to accumulate in the belt conveyor storage unit, as well as, under and around the belt conveyor tail roller.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 002

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/  
Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279679 - 01
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The Belt Conveyor has been cleaned and rock dusted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signa 	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0905

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1030	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279680
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Float coal dust, dark gray to black in color, was permitted to accumulate on both sides of the No. 5 LBB Belt Conveyor including cross-cuts for a distance of 3800 feet. Also, loose coal was permitted to accumulate on both sides of the belt conveyor in various places and the belt conveyor storage unit had accumulations of loose coal and float coal dust.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:						
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):		No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:			D. Number of Persons Affected:			
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		001		
11. Negligence (check one)						
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>		D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action				E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>		B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>		C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>		D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>
15. Area or Equipment						

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279680 - 01
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The belt conveyor was cleaned and rock dusted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signal [REDACTED]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1100

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1140	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279681
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Accumulations of loose coal including float coal dust was permitted to accumulate in the No. 3 LBB Belt Conveyor Storage Unit from the beginning of the belt drive to the end of the belt take-up.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr	
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signat	23. AR Number 24329	

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279681 - 01
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4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
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Section II--Justification for Action

The Belt drive was cleaned and appears in adequate condition.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771
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11. Signal	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0914
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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1200	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279682
4. Served To William Harless; Mine Foreman		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

There were no initials, dates and times certifying that a weekly examination was conducted for the intake entries located between Survey Station No. 3435 and Survey Station No. 18781.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.364(g)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The area was examined by a certified person and certified with initials, dates, and times.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 11/30/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signat		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0115	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279683
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 water sprinkler system provided for the Glory Belt Conveyor Take-up Storage Unit was not being maintained in accordance with 75.1101-8. 10 water sprays (5 on both sides of the storage unit) were not directed so that the discharge would spray on the upper surface of the top belt. Also, there were 6 sprays provided for the bottom surface of the top belt and the upper surface of the bottom belt that were covered with belt shredding.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1101-8(c)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		

11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>
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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"/>
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14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
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15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0100
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code)	E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
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22. Signature	23. AR Number 24329
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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279683 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The water sprinklers were directed to protect the surfaces of the belt.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Sig [Redacted]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1005

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0140	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279684
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Hydraulic oil and accumulations of coal was permitted to accumulate in and around the #2 Feeder Hydraulic Power Pack being used for the feeder located in the Glory Hole.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007 B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0800

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) E01 20. Event Number 4116771 21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature [Redacted] 23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279684 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The accumulations of hydraulic oil and coal have been cleaned.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signatu	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1025

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0355	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279685
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Five Nozzles were not directed so that the water would discharge on both the upper and bottom surfaces of the top belt and the upper surface of the bottom belt on the #1 UBB Section Belt Conveyor.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1101-1(b)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No  D. Number of Persons Affected: 001

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a) 13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice  E. Citation/Order Number F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	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)
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	3. Citation/Order Number 7279685 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The nozzles were directed so that the spray protected the surfaces of the belt.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection EQ1	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. S	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/07/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0630

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0515	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279686
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

Seven nozzles would not spray when tested and several other nozzles were not directed so that the water would discharge on both the upper and bottom surfaces of the top belt and the upper surface of the bottom belt on the #2 North Mains Belt Conveyor Drive and Storage Unit.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.1101-1(b)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>	
C. Significant and Substantial:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Number of Persons Affected: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>		

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 12/03/2007 Mo Da Yr	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279686 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)	

Section II--Justification for Action

The nozzles have been cleaned and they are directed to protect the surface of the belt.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Sign [Redacted]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/07/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0600

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/03/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0125	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279687
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		

8a. Written Notice (103g)   
Accumulations of loose fine coal (damp) was permitted to accumulate in the Glory Belt Take-up Storage Unit from the stationary roller to the take-up roller.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001		

11. Negligence (check one)	A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Reckless Disregard <input type="checkbox"/>
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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"/>
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14. Initial Action	A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Order <input type="checkbox"/>	C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/>	D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>	E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
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15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/04/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

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

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a, Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) 12/03/2007	3. Citation/Order Number 7279687 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The belt drive was cleaned and appears to be in adequate condition.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signature [Redacted]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0950

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/05/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1245	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279688
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 failed to follow the ventilation plan approved by the District Manager for the No. 2 LBB Section (MMU 040 and 041). The air ventilating the belt, track and two other entries (No.'s 2,3,4, and 5) was going in the wrong direction causing the air ventilating these entries to mix with air ventilating the section.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.370(a)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or illness (has) (is): No Likelihood  Unlikely  Reasonably Likely  Highly Likely  Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays  Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty  Permanently Disabling  Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes  No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 010

11. Negligence (check one) A. None  B. Low  C. Moderate  D. High  E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a)

13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation  Order  Safeguard

14. Initial Action

A. Citation  B. Order  C. Safeguard  D. Written Notice

E. Citation/Order Number

F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due

A. Date Mo Da Yr  
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B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1345

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The operator found and repaired a stopping that had been crushed out. This correction caused the air to move in the proper direction.

18. Terminated

A. Date Mo Da Yr  
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B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1400

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01

20. Event Number 4116771

21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature

23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1115	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279689
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 certified person conducting the on-shift examination in the belt haulage entries in the No. 5, 4, 3, and 2 LBB Section belt haulage entries failed to certify by initials, date and time at enough locations to show that the entire area had been examined.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.362(g)(1)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Permanently Disabling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fatal <input type="checkbox"/>				
C. Significant and Substantial: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				D. Number of Persons Affected: 014
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment				

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1230
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Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate The belt haulage entries were examined and certified by initials, date and time by a certified person.

18. Terminated	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1200
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Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1345	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279690
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY
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 permitted accumulations of loose coal and float dust to accumulate along the No. 2 North Mains Belt Haulage Conveyor from break 79 to and including the belt conveyor storage unit.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment				

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/14/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signatu		23. AR Number 24329

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279690 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendant	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

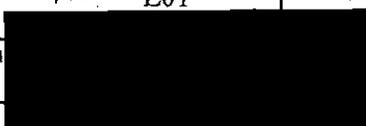
The belt conveyor has been cleaned and rock dusted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Sign 	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1300

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1450	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279691
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 permitted accumulations of loose coal and float coal dust to accumulate along the No. 1 South Mains Belt Haulage Conveyor from the belt conveyor tail-piece to break 20.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.400
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:					
A. Injury or illness (has) (is):	No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001		
11. Negligence (check one)					
A. None <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	D. High <input 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"/>			
14. Initial Action			E. Citation/ Order Number		F. Dated Mo Da Yr
A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>					
15. Area or Equipment					

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/14/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Signature	23. AR Number 24329	

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Mine Safety and Health Administration

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/10/2007	3. Citation/Order Number 7279691 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The belt conveyor has been cleaned and rock dusted.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	
11. SAR Number [REDACTED] 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/14/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1330

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Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/17/2007	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 2000	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279692
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
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 manual pump on the Fairchild 35C Scoop (Co. NO. 1; SN: T339-145) would not release and reengage the brakes without energizing the equipment.

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	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.523-3(c)(2)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:				
A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood <input type="checkbox"/> Unlikely <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty <input checked="" 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: 001
11. Negligence (check one) A. None <input type="checkbox"/> B. Low <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> D. High <input 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"/>		
14. Initial Action A. Citation <input type="checkbox"/> B. Order <input type="checkbox"/> C. Safeguard <input type="checkbox"/> D. Written Notice <input type="checkbox"/>			E. Citation/ Order Number	F. Dated Mo Da Yr
15. Area or Equipment				

16. Termination Due	A. Date Mo Da Yr 12/19/2007	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1600
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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) E01	20. Event Number 4116771	21. Primary or Mill
22. Site		23. AR Number 24329

MSHA Form 7000-3, Mar 85 (revised) In accordance with the provisions of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, the Small Business Administration has established a National Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Ombudsman and 10 Regional Fairness Boards to receive comments from small businesses about federal agency enforcement actions. The Ombudsman annually evaluates enforcement activities and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on the enforcement actions of MSHA, you may call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247), or write the Ombudsman at Small Business Administration, Office of the National Ombudsman, 409 3rd Street, SW MC 2120, Washington, DC 20416. Please note, however, that your right to file a comment with the Ombudsman is in addition to any other rights you may have, including the right to contest citations and proposed penalties and obtain a hearing before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission.

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Section II-Justification for Action

The manual pump was replaced and would release and reengage the brakes without energizing the equipment.

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Section III-Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771		
11. Signa [REDACTED]	AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/19/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1154

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 10/04/2007	3. Citation/ Order Number 7279641 - 01
4. Served To Rick Hodge; Superintendent	5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY	
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH	7. Mine ID 46-08436	(Contractor)

Section II--Justification for Action

The unsupported top located at spad # 8915 was timbered to control the mine roof. The unsupported top located at breaks 21 and 24 was dangered off and the travelway was routed around the area.

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Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

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

9. Type of Inspection E01	10. Event Number 4116771	
11. AR Number 24329	12. Date Mo Da Yr 10/10/2007	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 0945